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The annual Idyllwild Master Chorale concert filled Lowman Concert Hall on the Idyllwild Arts campus Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI

Local portion of Pacific Crest Trail opened Saturday

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

A section of the Pacific Crest Trail and the South Ridge Trail, among other areas, reopened to the public on Saturday, Dec. 15, officials with San Bernardino National Forest announced Friday.

The news came on the heels of changes with two fire-related forest orders. First, the recent order for the Cranston Fire Closure Area will be updated to reflect a smaller footprint. Secondly, the order for the last remaining closure area related to the 2013 Mountain Fire has expired.

The following trail portions have reopened to visitors and hikers:

- The remaining 8-mile section of the Pacific Crest Trail

(#2000) closed by the Mountain Fire, between Spittler Peak and Tahquitz Valley

- South Ridge Trail (3E08) from the trailhead to Tahquitz Peak
- Forest Road 5S11 (South Ridge Road) to the South Ridge Trailhead
- The three Yellow Post sites along 5S11
- Caramba Trail (3E04) from Skunk Cabbage junction to Caramba Falls, and Cedar Trail (3E16). These two trails, where vegetation has been overgrown since the Mountain Fire, are not maintained.

The new forest order for the Cranston Fire Closure Area keeps trails and roads around May Valley closed. It is set to expire July 31, 2019, but may be shortened or extended depending on recovery of the area.

Idyllwild Water searching for general manager

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The directors of the Idyllwild Water District have been searching and recruiting for either a new general manager or a chief operating officer (field supervisor) since September.

They have had several closed meetings to review applications and possibly interview candidates. The latest was 7 a.m. Monday.

When asked how many candidates were on the list, President Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly replied, "Fifty."

In September, after the directors first advertised the general manager position, Director David Hunt said the district received dozens of applications, but only three seemed like viable candidates.

Since then, reflecting on the

paucity of good quality general manager applicants, the board also has advertised for a chief operating officer, who would oversee field work such as the wastewater treatment plant, pipeline installation and other field work.

Eventually, this person would be promoted to general manager, according to the recommendation Hunt made to the board last month. The job description was on the agenda for the Wednesday, Dec. 19, board meeting.

As of last week, Schelly said the board has interviewed about five candidates. "There is no deadline on making a decision," Schelly said.

He added that there are no additional criteria other than what is required in the job descriptions.

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Supervisors seek means to faster vote counting

Committee to explore options and costs in 2019

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

In California, the 2018 gubernatorial election is over and the results have been certified at both the county and state levels.

Nevertheless, the ballot counting took weeks to complete, frustrating many. Except for one supervisor race, Riverside County did not experience the sudden and, sometimes, unexpected reversal of fortunes between two candidates as occurred in several California congressional elections.

While "accuracy is the goal," according to

the Board of Supervisors, they did ask Rebecca Spencer, the county registrar of voters, why the counting took so long and what is necessary to shorten that time in future elections.

Basically, state laws have permitted voter registration very close to and on Election Day and have required the counting of mail-in ballots, which are postmarked by Election Day, but not received for several days later.

"Vote-by-mail lengthens the time to count ballots," Spencer said. "A number of laws in place increase access to elections. But at the same time, they also increase the workload and time it takes to certify results."

"It is extremely important that we retain the integrity of our elections at the same time we provide accurate and timely results," Chair Chuck Washington (3rd District) said. But

Supervisor Kevin Jeffries (1st District) had harsher comments about the process.

"For a state that prides itself on being the innovative leader in technology, to put us back into a horse and buggy days of transporting our ballots, I'm disappointed," he said "We're not taking advantage of the technologies that are out there, and recognizing there have to be incredible safeguards."

The county spent millions of dollars on new electronic voting systems in the early 2000s. By 2007, the security of these machines came into question. Riverside County even hired an information technology expert to test its machine. The evaluation was not totally positive.

Independently, the then Secretary of State Debra Bowen had her staff conducted

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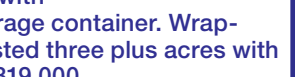
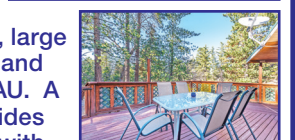
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Board honors several in final 2018 session

Supervisors and civil servants retiring and leaving public service

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last week's Riverside County Board of Supervisors meeting was notable for several reasons. But one was both sad, good and worthy. The board and the county recognized several important public servants who are departing the public sector.

The Sheriff's Department will lose several senior officials who have watched over this community. Foremost is Sheriff Stan Sniff, who was defeated in his re-election bid last month and will leave office in early January. Sniff has spent more than 45 years in law enforcement and most of that in Riverside County. He has been sheriff since his appointment in 2007.

Several of his senior staff also are retiring, including Chief Deputy Lyndon "Ray" Wood, who had served as captain of the Hemet Station several years ago and still returns to the Hill, not just for meetings.

Also, former county Fire Chief John Hawkins was recognized for his service and dedication to the county for more than a decade. He has not yet retired from Cal Fire, but the supervisors wanted to acknowledge and honor his efforts to help protect and improve Riverside County. Hawkins was removed by Cal Fire as fire chief in January 2018. The state has never offered an explanation.

As each supervisor read a section of their proclamation honoring him, they added personal comments about their esteem for him and his devotion to the job.

For example, 5th District Supervi-

sor Marion Ashley said, "Of all the fire chiefs I've had, he's the one I think performed the best for the county and is my favorite."

Or 2nd District Supervisor John Tavaglione who added, "Pushed for change is an understatement. He has a heart of gold and was focus on the well-being of firefighters."

And 1st District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries said, "He was the most dedicated chief I've ever worked with, an outstanding chief."

Speaking for himself, Hawkins wrote in an email later in the week, "I was honored to serve 11 1/2 years as the Cal Fire Riverside Unit/Riverside County Fire Department fire chief and a total of 15 years in the local unit. I am very proud of our firefighters, foresters and support personnel who helped me at every juncture.

"I am honored with the support and assistance provided by all our county and partner-city elected and appointment officials. They were always there for the best public safety service to the public."

About the groups in Idyllwild, he said, "Working with the Mountain Area Safety Task Force, the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council and the Mountain Disaster program groups and individuals was a particular honor. We accomplished a lot.

"I credit the disaster preparations, financial grant sponsors, community fuel reductions and roof replacements, table top and major field training drills, and the willingness of all agencies and private groups to cooperate as key to the overall success during the 2018 Cranston Fire."

Tavaglione and Ashley also were at their last official board meeting. Both retired and did not seek re-election in November.

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John Hawkins (left), former Riverside County Fire chief, was among several county civil servants honored at the Board of Supervisors meeting last week. Thanking Hawkins for his dedication and diligence is Board Chair and 3rd District Supervisor Chuck Washington. In the background are supervisors Manuel Perez (4th District) and Marion Ashley (5th District) PHOTO BY CALVIN RENDER

Winter fire protection efforts begin

Changes to MAST officials announced

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

With no major fires in Southern California, Hill fire agencies were able to hold the quarterly Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting last week.

Work on fuel breaks, including burns, were the major topics and some personnel changes will occur in the U.S. Forest Service's San Jacinto Ranger District early in 2019 as well as Riverside County's emergency services coordinator for the 3rd Supervisor District.

The Forest Service will continue to burn piles of slash near the local fire stations. Last week, burning occurred near the Vista Grande and Kenworthy stations.

On Monday, the Forest Service began work on the Pine Cove and other fuel breaks surrounding Idyllwild, according to district Fire Manager Fred Espinoza. These will involve broadcast burns and be very dependent on weather conditions, such as little to no wind and lower temperatures.

Later in the winter, Espinoza said the agency intends to do more burns on Thomas Mountain in Garner Valley. This project started last spring. He warned that it may be visible along Highway 74 and perhaps at higher elevations to the north.

When the burn has a definite date, the Forest Service will alert the community, he added.

In response to a question, he emphasized that this burn is not equivalent to a clear cutting of the area. While the burn is described as about 1,000 acres, not all will be touched. Rather, the plan is to create a mosaic effect in the forest area. This will not prevent wildfires, but will slow their spread, enabling firefighters and air attack to control them.

Cal Fire and Riverside County Fire Department will be working on the Red Hill and Pine Cove fuel breaks. Forester Division Chief Gregg Bratcher added that work on the Upper Dry Creek Fuel Break is expected to start very soon. Also, the county will be conducting thinning work on the demonstration site on Franklin Drive this winter.

Capt. Mic Sebas-

tian added that RCFD will be cooperating with the California State Parks fire group to conduct burns in the Stone Creek and Alhatti neighborhoods.

Charles Wentz, forester on the San Jacinto Ranger District, emphasized that the prescribed burns are intended to restore a healthy forest, not degrade it. Wildfires, albeit smaller, were very common through the Southern California forests in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

"This will help restore the natural ecosystem and try to reduce the population of invasive species," he stated.

The first personnel change that will affect MAST is the retirement of Jerry Hagen, the county emergency services coordinator for the Hill and all of the 3rd District. Dec. 17 was his last day with Riverside County.

Probably in January, the Forest Service will say goodbye to Espinoza. He has accepted a position with the Bureau of Land Management, and will be part of the California Desert Inter-Agency Fire Program.

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In August, following the Cranston Fire, local fire officials held a community meeting to discuss the fire, its damage and fire protection efforts. Speaking at the podium is San Jacinto Ranger District Fire Division Chief Freddie Espinoza, who will be leaving the Forest Service in the next month to join the Bureau of Land Management Desert Fire program. Also seen behind Espinoza are (from left) Idyllwild Fire Department Assistant Chief Mark LaMont, Cal Fire Division Chief Bill Weiser, and IFD Fire Chief Patrick Reitz. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

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Idyllwild Weather

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| Thursday 12/20 69/36 Mostly sunny. | Monday 12/24 57/31 Sunny w/chance of snow. |
| Friday 12/21 63/34 Mostly sunny. | Tuesday 12/25 44/27 Chance of snow. |
| Saturday 12/22 58/34 Mostly sunny. | |

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

| Idyllwild this year | | | | |
|---------------------|------|-----|------|-----|
| Date | High | Low | M | S |
| 12/11 | 61 | 37 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/12 | 57 | 31 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/13 | 62 | 30 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/14 | 57 | 34 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/15 | 64 | 37 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/16 | 63 | 34 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/17 | 54 | 35 | 0.00 | 0.0 |

| Idyllwild last year | | | | |
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| Date | High | Low | M | S |
| 12/11 | 64 | 50 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/12 | 69 | 35 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/13 | 66 | 35 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/14 | 69 | 34 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/15 | 65 | 39 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/16 | 56 | 34 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 12/17 | 56 | 35 | 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.

Skies were clear Tuesday afternoon on the Hill, but high temperatures stayed in the 50s.

PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR

Life Tribute
David Wesley Pittman
1954-2018

David Wesley Pittman, originally from Sandersville, Georgia, died from complications of Lewy Body Dementia on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018. He celebrated his 64th birthday on Dec. 8, with his wife of 43 years, Debi L. Lastinger of Milledgeville, Georgia; his parents, Wesley and Rubye Pittman of Milledgeville; and parents-in-law, Marlon and Ann Lastinger of Sandersville. David was brother to Drew (Anita) Pittman of Milledgeville and Cynthia Pittman Cox of Athens. David was additionally blessed his entire life by his mother-in-law, Joy Ferguson Cawley, of Roswell, Georgia.

David was predeceased by his nephew Jacob Michael Bern and sister-in-law Lora Lastinger Langley. He is survived by nieces and nephews he loved dearly: Joshua Langley, Jeremiah (Laura) Boone, Eliot Bern, Bradley (Krystal) Pittman, Nickolas (Joy) Langley, Maggie (Kevin) Boone Tucker, Barbara Frazier, Victoria Frazier, Marissa (Jack) Miller, John Wesley Pittman, Tommy Pittman, Grant Smith, Aimee Smith, CiGi Curry, Colby Langley and Hudson Curry, who were lovingly raised by Cara DeCelles, Kerry Bern, Drew and Anita Pittman, Monty and Ellen Lastinger Curry, Ronnie and Lisa Boone, Tim and Lora Lastinger Langley, Lisa Lastinger, William Miller and Jay Smith. He was also gifted with a much younger brother-in-law, Randy (Amanda) Lastinger.

David graduated Washington County High School in 1972. He received his BBA in Accounting from Georgia College and State University, MBA in Finance from the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and Master of Liberal Arts in History from Baker University. David was pursuing his EdD in Educational Administration at the University of Bath in Bath, Somerset, United Kingdom when he became ill.

David was director of Business Services at Midwestern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky; vice president for Business and Finance and treasurer of the University at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas; chief financial officer at the American University of Bulgaria; vice president for Finance and Administration at Thomas University in Thomasville, Georgia; and vice president and director of Business and Finance for Idyllwild Arts Academy.

He additionally served as a consultant to the Soros Open Society Institute in its educational endeavors in Eastern Europe. David was passionate about liberal arts education

Prescribed burns continue

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Winter is just beginning, yet fire agencies are still active and making announcements.

The Forest Service has begun a series of prescribed burns throughout the San Bernardino National Forest. Many of these have been and will be in the San Jacinto Ranger District.

For Idyllwild residents, the broadcast burn on the Pine Cove fuel break began Monday. Expect to see smoke in the area.

and its potential to change the world by igniting the passions of young people and gifting them with abilities to effect those changes.

A creative and successful financial manager, David's avocations included history, with emphasis on the Civil War era in Georgia and Kansas, and horticulture. He enjoyed nothing more than working with his father Wesley at Pittman Nursery.

David's favorite project of all time involved the research and purchase of a mid-19th century stone chapel, Sproxtion Methodist Chapel, in Liecestershire, England, which he subsequently had disassembled, labeled, transported to the United States and reassembled on the campus of the Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas.

During this process, he established significant relationships with the people in the village of Sproxtion and the members of English Heritage, from whom permission to remove the chapel was needed. The campus of Baker University was honored by the presence of many of these, including the former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, as the chapel was reconsecrated the Osborn Chapel there.

A Celebration of David Pittman's Life was held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church on Linton Road in Sandersville. In lieu of flowers, and in honor of David's lifelong investment in the lives of young people, donations in his memory are requested to:

Baker University, www.bakeru.edu/foreverorange/give-now/

The American University of Bulgaria, www.aub.edu/give-to-aub



The U.S. Forest Service is conducting a prescribed burn on the Pine Cove Fuelbreak. The work began Monday and will continue all week if the weather cooperates.
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News and Renewals

By JACK CLARK
CO-PUBLISHER AND GENERAL COUNSEL

Joining or starting a grassroots organization in town to try to improve the lives of its residents and visitors is a noble cause. So many of us care, but are constrained by time, health or other factors so we can't attend meetings or events surrounding these causes.

I've noticed with more new people moving into the area, a plethora of grassroots organizations springing up over the past few years.

One such group is Quiet Skies Idyllwild. David Pearson appeared in my office last week talking about this group that seeks to move flight patterns back to past routes so Idyllwild-area residents and visitors may enjoy quieter days.

I admitted to him that Jack and I are not ones bothered by the noise of planes. Our one neighbor, however, joined Quiet Skies because the flights do bother him.

David pointed out a jet flight outside I normally would not notice. He warned me that I may start noticing them now that he pointed that one out.

Saturday morning while still in bed, above the sounds of the central heat in our house, I heard flight after flight above our house. And later in the day, I heard other planes.

They did not disturb me, though. I asked David that day if QSI members are outdoors people. The sound I in the sky I heard that day he pointed it out was quieter than the noise of vehicles on North Circle Drive outside our office.

My husband is partially deaf, which explains why he isn't bothered. I spend most of my time indoors where the sounds of office equipment, lights, refrigerators and other appliances sound out much of what is going on outside. I'm not bothered but can understand why others are.

Another grassroots organization is the San Jacinto Watershed Watchdogs. The group follows the actions or inactions of the Idyllwild Water District directors and manager. Taking on government in this town and watching over it — something the Town Crier has been doing for decades — is a noble feat and commendable.

But I take exception — I'm bothered — with this statement from its recent newsletter: "Although not announced officially, it was reported in the Town Crier that the contract for the current General Manager, Jack Hoagland, which expires on December 31, 2018, will not be renewed. Jack Hoagland will not be employed by the District on a month-to-month basis in 2019. Hopefully, the Board will prepare an official notice of this rumored action as soon as possible."

The Town Crier is not in the "rumor" business. We are not social media where rumors run rampant. We didn't write, "I heard ...," we wrote what was spoken by the IWD president and confirmed by the vice president following a closed session meeting.

We send journalists to these meetings to report to the public how their tax dollars are being spent. If the meeting is closed, we check to find out if any action was taken. We did that. This is one of our jobs we do to serve our readers. If you want to read rumors, read social media.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

Grant explored by book club

The Presidents Book Club will read about the 18th president, Ulysses S. Grant, from 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9, at the Idyllwild Library.

"Late in the administration of Andrew Johnson, Gen. Ulysses S. Grant quarreled with the President and aligned himself with the Radical Republicans. He was, as the symbol of Union victory during the Civil War, their logical candidate for President in 1868. When he was elected, the American people hoped for an end to turmoil. Grant provided neither vigor nor reform. Looking to Congress for direction, he seemed bewildered. One visitor to the White House noted 'a puzzled pathos, as of a man with a problem before him of which he does not understand the terms,'" from whitehouse.gov.

There are no rules for this club. You may read any book or material you would like. The library offers several books at the front desk if you would like to choose one.

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Town Crier holiday schedule

Since Christmas and New Year's Day are on Tuesdays, the Town Crier also will be closed on Christmas Eve and News Year's Eve, the Mondays of Dec. 24 and 31.

Consequently, for those two weeks, the paper will be published on the Fridays of Dec. 28 and Jan. 4. The normal Thursday publication schedule will resume with the Jan. 10 issue.

The Town Crier's office will be open the Wednesdays of Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, with deadlines of noon for ads and 10 a.m. for news.

Just for those weeks, the news meetings will occur at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 28, and 8:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 4, at the Town Crier office instead of the Idyllwild Library.

For more information, call 951-659-2145.

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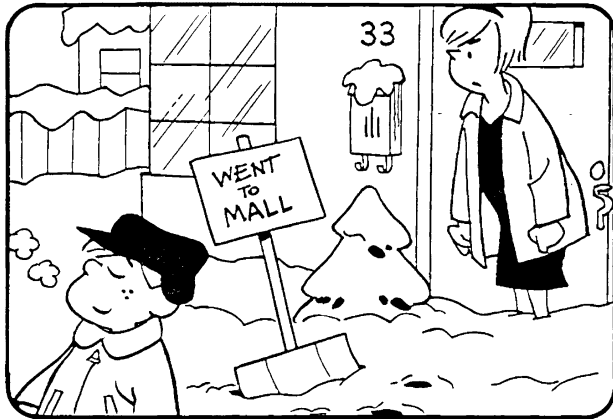
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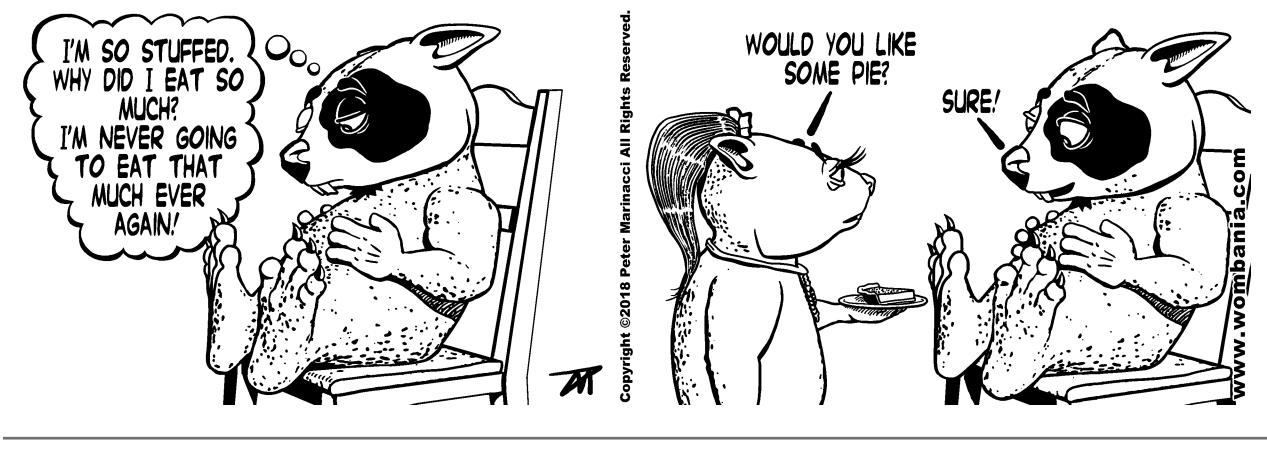
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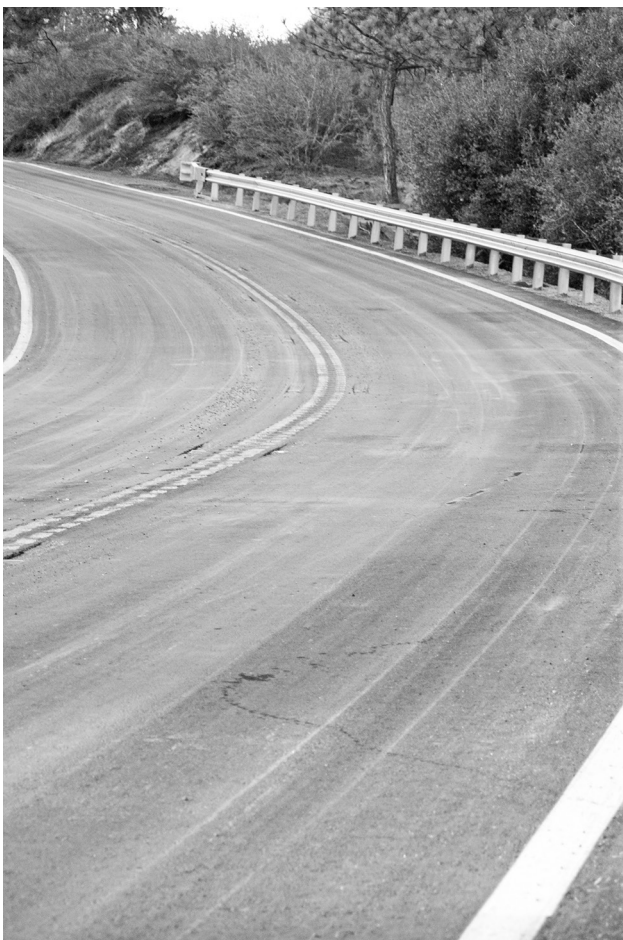
Audrey Carver of Idyllwild has joined more than 1,500 undergraduate students from around the world as they begin their academic careers at **Tufts University**, located in Medford/Somerville, Massachusetts.



In all, only 14.6 percent of a record-breaking 21,501 applicants were admitted to the university, the second-lowest acceptance rate in university history.

"We often talk about creating an intentional community," said **Karen Richardson**, dean of admissions and enrollment management at the Class of 2022's matriculation ceremony. "With the Class of 2022, we have put together a group of learners who will contribute not only academically but also to our community's social fabric."

Carver is the daughter of **Chris and Larrynn Carver** of Idyllwild.



Last week, Cal Trans had Highway 243 closed, just north of Lake Fulmor. The highway was reopened late Wednesday afternoon, two days ahead of schedule.

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Highway 243 was closed so that a culvert could be replaced. This view is from the highway looking down the slope to the culvert opening.

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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Hill businesses and institutions normally open Sundays that will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 25, to observe Christmas are:

- BBVA Compass Bank
- Fern Creek Medical Center (closing @ noon)
- Idyllwild Health Center
- Fairway Market
- Idyllwild Pharmacy (closing @ 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24)
- Idyllwild Post Office (closing @ 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24)
- Idyllwild Transfer Station
- Mountain Center Post Office
- Riverside County offices
- U.S. Forest Service

Closed Christmas & also closed Monday, Dec. 24:

- Fern Valley Water District
- Hemet Unified School District
- Idyllwild Library
- Idyllwild Nature Center
- Idyllwild Town Crier
- Idyllwild Water District
- Pine Cove Water District

These will be open:

- Mt. San Jacinto State Park
- Mountain Center Market (8 a.m.-1 p.m.)
- Mountain Top Liquor
- Pine Cove Market (8 a.m.-1 p.m.)
- Village Market (8 a.m.-6 p.m. & closing 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24)



Leslie Weidner, president of Mountain Quilters, received a coveted Rotary squirrel from Rotary President **Chris Scott** as thanks for enlightening members and guests at its weekly meeting Wednesday, Dec. 12. The Quilters, with about 75 members, contribute much, including quilts to veterans and others, and dresses to young girls around the world.

PHOTO BY TOM KLUZAK

A memorial service for **David Bradish**, the missing elderly man who brought out many community members and rescue professionals on a major search but who succumbed to the elements, was held Saturday at the Community Presbyterian Church.

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And we know our Members appreciate that we cannot allow the fact of their Memberships to control the paper's ongoing editorial policies and decisions.

If you previously had an uncompleted subscription before we went "free on the Hill," or if you have an off-Hill subscription now, you may contact Becky for credit against or an extension of your new Membership. But she currently is extending Memberships for subscription holders without being asked.

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Pine Cove Water keeps current board leadership

Surprise water loss in November

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Directors of the Pine Cove Water District re-elected Robert Hewitt as board president last week. Director Diana Luther returns as vice president and Director Lou Padula as secretary. All of the officers were elected to their current board office in August 2015.

When Hewitt asked for nominations, Director Vicki Jakubac replied, "I'm happy with the way things are now."

Next, Padula made the motion to retain the same slate of officers. The vote was unanimous.

PCWD's water supplies remain good, Holldber told the board. The district remains in water conservation Stage 2, which was initiated in June.

Although the groundwater level of the district's static well no. 10 dropped 3 feet in October, it remained at that level in November.

During November, PCWD produced 2.3 million gallons, which were 240,000 gallons, or 9.4 percent, less than November 2017.

Since Jan. 1, 2018, total water production has been 31.5 million gallons, which

is 2.8 million, or 8.2 percent, less than same period in 2017.

However, the water loss grew to 16 percent last month and 11 percent since January. The water loss was 17 percent in March and 16 percent for all of 2017. However, since March, it had fallen each period to a low of 7 percent in September.

The large jump, Holldber attributed to a major leak in the Cedar Glen neighborhood. At first it appeared to be several small ones, but he discovered the leaks were transverseing a 20-foot section of pipe.

"We might have to replace the pipe. It was a lot of water added up in a hurry," he told the board and said he would be monitoring the pipe to determine whether it will need to be replaced.

He also mentioned that nearly 230 customers have chosen to receive their bills via email. This option and the ability to pay the bill online were the result of the efforts of Becky Smith, office manager.

All of the new pipe and hydrants have been laid and installed for the South Central project, Holldber reported. The remaining work is placing the poles identifying the hydrant locations for protection from snow plows.

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CPUC wants to tax text messages; FCC says 'no'

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last week, the California Public Utilities Commission revealed a plan to tax text messages and intends to vote on it next month.

Since 1994, the state imposed an "All End User Surcharge" on telecommunications services. The exception was the Universal Lifeline. The revenue was used to fund the Universal Services program for low-income residents.

However, since 2011, these reve-

nues have declined from \$16 billion to \$11.2 billion last year. The CPUC had decided that the way to reverse the declining revenues, which are due to fewer telephone calls and more text messages, was to impose a tax on mobile phone text messages.

On Wednesday, a Federal Communications Commission decision appears to have negated the state's plan. As part of an effort to reduce spam robotext messages, the FCC refused to classify "...text messaging services as 'telecommunications services' subject to common

carrier regulation under the Communications Act — a classification that would limit wireless providers' efforts to combat spam and scam robotexts effectively." It also means that the state cannot tax these services.

The FCC stated in its press release that text messages, as SMS and Multimedia Messaging Services, are "information services" which cannot be taxed in the manner the CPUC had planned.

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Online purchases will be taxed

State goes after sales tax avoiders

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Internet has wrought many changes in the world. Obviously, communication with people around the globe is much easier and more common. Expressing opinions has become facile as well as finding an audience to listen.

One of the ways in which people used the Internet to save money was to make purchases of clothes, supplies and other materials from retailers in other states, while avoiding local and state sales taxes. The largest of these national retailers is Amazon.

But as Amazon grew, it found that customer satisfaction also depended upon timely deliveries. Now, the behemoth retailer has operations throughout the country, including warehouses in California, which eliminated the avoidance of the sales tax on California residents.

However, there are still many retailers in other states who conduct

sales over the Internet and do not impose the state's "use" or sales tax on California purchasers.

Officially, the buyer was responsible for reporting and paying these taxes, if the seller was not imposing the state tax. Perhaps some extremely honest and ethical people did do that.

But over time, the state believed it was losing tremendous revenues to these sales on which the tax was not applied.

This will stop on April 1. Beginning then, any firm whose sales are greater than \$100,000 annually or greater than 200 transactions will be required to collect the California use tax, and that includes the local or county sales taxes, too.

Last week, the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration announced, "... beginning April 1, 2019, out-of-state retailers selling above certain thresholds into California will be required to collect California use taxes on their sales into California [and] ... also impact(s) in-state and out-of-state retailers' obligations to collect and remit district use taxes adopted by California localities."

The state asserts that the only change imposed by the new regulations is the party who collects and remits the tax payments.

"[The] announcement does not increase or create any tax," said CDTFA Director Nick Maduros. "Rather, California will now require more out-of-state retailers to collect and remit taxes just as brick-and-mortar retailers have done for decades."

The application of the use taxes exempts the following transactions:

- Food products for human consumption.
- Animal life, feed for animal life, seeds and plants — the products of which are normally food for human consumption.
- Containers used to collect or store human blood, plasma, blood products, or blood derivatives.
- Prescription medicines sold under specific circumstances.

Also, the admission charges to amusement parks, theaters, sports events, golf courses, etc., as well as finance, securities and bonds are not subject to the tax.

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County and unions unable to find agreement

County imposes settlement on SEIU, will continue to bargain with LIUNA

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Two unions — Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 777, and Service Employees International Union, Local 721 — represent about two-thirds of Riverside County's 22,000 employees. Their agreements with the county expired in 2016. Negotiations between the county and the two unions have not resulted in mutually acceptable agreements.

Last week, the Board of Supervisors took dramatic, but different, actions to attempt to resolve this labor conflict. In a 3-2 vote, the board imposed its last and best offer on SEIU members. But later in the meeting after a public hearing, the same board voted unanimously to defer action with LIUNA and resume negotiations in early 2019.

While the supervisors were clearly frustrated taking these actions, their principal criterion was the future costs, which would affect the county budget and, ultimately, county residents.

While annual salary increases are less significant in the long-term, the county is facing a projected \$300 million increase in pension costs over the next several years. Finding an option that would mitigate these costs was the county's principal goal; and the parties have not found the path to cooperation.

In August 2017, the county declared an impasse in the negotiations. A fact-finding committee was established to review the negotiations with SEIU and a public hear-

ing on the report was held in May.

During the period, SEIU has filed litigation against the county over the negotiation tactics. In November, the board directed its negotiators to ask SEIU to reconsider the suit. If it would withdraw it, the board would be inclined to continue to negotiate.

"We have met with SEIU and asked if it would wipe the slate clean of litigation," reported Brenda Diedericks, assistant county executive officer for human resources. "I would characterize the discussion as informal and they are unlikely to withdraw the litigation. They want to hold the litigation as leverage for negotiating."

The terms of two supervisors made this vote even more difficult. Both Supervisor John Tavaglione (2nd District) and Marion Ashley (5th District) were attending their last board meeting. Their terms end this month and neither ran for re-election. Their successors assume their board seats in January.

They and Chair Chuck Washington (3rd District) voted to impose the last and best offer. Washington was clearly torn on his vote. He asked Supervisor Kevin Jeffries (1st District) what alternative he saw.

But ultimately, Washington said, "The longer I've been here and the better I understand our budget and budget problems, we're operating with a structural deficit and spending down reserves."

"It may be political suicide, but I have to do what is best for the 2.4 million residents of the county and look out for the budget. We're on a path that is unsustainable and will result in layoffs," Washington lamented.

In a press release after the meeting, Washington added, "Riverside County's financial situation is bleak: it maintains a structural deficit and declining reserves,

... SEIU's demands were, unfortunately, impossible to fulfill. Members of SEIU have seen an average 49 percent increase in compensation over the past five years. On average, the compensation of SEIU members is 18 percent above market at top step when compared to the five surrounding counties. These kinds of increases are simply unsustainable."

Jeffries was hopeful SEIU would accept the county's offer to resume negotiating if the litigation were dropped. "But they seem hell bent to continue to fight it out," he said. "Imposing will create more havoc and heartburn for everybody." He also expressed concern that failing to resolve the pension cost issue would ultimately result in union member layoffs.

Finally, Tavaglione expressed his frustration, "I'm embarrassed with this discussion. Let's make a decision," and the vote followed.

Before the vote, SEIU President Bob Schoonover told the board, "You're taking a massive gamble at the expense of Riverside County taxpayers." He also claimed the county had been negotiating in bad faith.

LIUNA has not filed any litigation and beseeched the board to resume negotiations in January. After an hour of speakers in favor of LIUNA, the board agreed, including Tavaglione and Ashley.

"I can't in good faith move forward with imposition. There is more work to be done," Washington stated.

Ashley concurred, "I am confident a deal could be made with LIUNA."

Imposing the last and best offer on the SEIU will save the county about \$1.3 million annually. If imposition had been applied to LIUNA, the estimated savings would have been \$3.4 million annually.

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Jerry Hagen, former emergency services coordinator for the Riverside County 3rd District, retired from the Department of Emergency Management Monday.

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He also announced that the Forest Service has selected Julie Hall to replace Arturo Delgado as the San Jacinto district ranger. She will begin her new assignment the first week of January.

Several members of the public attended and raised salient questions about abatement, evacuation and potential shelter-in-place sites in the community.

Local real estate agent Marge Muir expressed some concern about how to ensure abatement and inspections when local homes sell. For the real estate transactions in Idyllwild, the agents go directly to the Idyllwild Fire Department for a compliance inspection. But outside the district, obtaining that inspection has been inconsistent, she said.

Bratcher understood and promised to raise it with Division Chief Bill Weiser and Battalion Chief Robert Fish.

In response to whether there is an evacuation

plan, each of the agency chiefs assured the public that the plans exist, have been prepared years ago and are revised. Unfortunately, there are limited highways to and from the Hill. But evacuations would direct residents away from danger and fire, they were assured.

"There was no congestion on the highways for either the Mountain or Cranston fires," Hagen said. "CHP has the capability of pushing stalled cars off the highway to permit traffic to continue. We have contingencies for clearing the traffic."

Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz explained that public education was important, and that Southern California Edison and Cal Trans were removing and thinning vegetation from along the highway routes to reduce the chance of falling trees blocking the roads.

While there are plans for shelter-in-place in case the local camps could not evacuate quickly, the fire officials stressed that in a large fire, there is really no site safe enough for shelter-

in-place. Civilians need to evacuate so that firefighters can try to stop the conflagration.

Remaining on the Hill creates the possibility that resources will be diverted to rescue people who stay, they said.

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USPS changes rates in 2019

The United States Postal Service will have new rates as of Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019.

The new prices will include a 5-cent increase in the price of a First-Class Mail Forever stamp, from 50 cents to 55 cents. The single-piece, added-ounce price will be reduced to 15 cents, so a 2-ounce stamped letter, such as a typical wedding invitation, will cost less to mail, decreasing from 71 to 70 cents.

Mailing Services product prices will rise about 2.5 percent. Shipping Services price increases vary by product.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products, and services to fund its operations.



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

Wednesday, Dec. 19

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Garner Valley Book Club, 10:30 a.m. Call 659-6049 for location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- High Valleys Water District board, 3 p.m. HVWD office, 47781 Twin Pines Rd., Twin Pines.
- Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Idyllwild Water District board, 6 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- 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. 20

- 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.
- Feeding America, 1-2 p.m. Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Lake Hemet Municipal Water District board, 3 p.m. LHMWD office, 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet.
- 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.
- American Legion Post 800 board, 6 p.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Friday, Dec. 21

- Free community Mat Pilates classes, 9 a.m. Call 760-200-5757 for information & directions.
- Fern Valley Water District board, 9 a.m. FVWD board room, 55790 South Circle Dr.
- 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. 22

- Healing Rooms, 10 a.m.-noon & 2-4 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54295 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 5:30 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Sunday, Dec. 23

- 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. 24

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

Tuesday, Dec. 25

- Alcoholics Anonymous,

10 a.m.-10 p.m.. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

Wednesday, Dec. 26

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Al-Anon, 4:45-5:45 p.m.; Co-dependents Anonymous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Community service hours

- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., Sat. & Sun. (Mon. holidays.) Group tours by appt. 659-2717.
- Idyllwild Help Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Tues.; noon-5 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 659-2300.
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 659-3850.
- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thurs.-Mon.; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Wed. & Fri.
- Idyllwild Ranger Station, 54270 Pine Crest Ave., 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fri.-Tues. 909-382-2921.

NEWS OF RECORD

Idyllwild Fire

Here is one of the calls Idyllwild Fire responded to recently.

- Dec. 17 — Medical aid, 1:50 p.m. Idyllwild School

Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire

Here are two of the calls Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire responded to recently.

- Dec. 10 — Traffic collision, 9:34 p.m. Hwy. 243 and Mtn. Edna Rd.
- Dec. 17 — Medical aid, 07:41 a.m. E. Hwy. 74, Mountain Center.

U.S. Forest Service

Here is one of the calls the U.S. Forest Service responded to recently.

- Dec. 12 — Traffic collision, 3:45 p.m., Hwy. 74, MM 56.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Sunday to Saturday, Dec. 9 to 15.

Idyllwild

- Dec. 9 — Check the welfare, 12:33 p.m., Glen Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 9 — Suspect info, 4:05 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 9 — Check the welfare, 10:36 p.m., North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 9 — Alarm call, 11:57 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 10 — Fraud, 3:58 p.m., North Circle Dr. Report taken.
- Dec. 11 — Public disturbance, 8:08 a.m., Circle Wy. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 11 — Follow-up, 10:04 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 13 — Trespassing, 11:45 a.m., North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 15 — Public disturbance, 12:01 p.m., 53000 block of Toll Gate Rd. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 15 — Animal abuse, 1 p.m., 26000 block of Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

- Dec. 12 — Missing person, 6:41 p.m., 53000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Report taken.

Pine Cove

- Dec. 9 — Unattended death, 9:44 a.m., address withheld. Report taken.

- Dec. 9 — Assist other department, 3:15 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

Poppet Flats

- Dec. 9 — Shots fired, 4:38 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

- Dec. 9 — Suspicious person, 4:47 p.m., 28000 block of Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 11 — Public disturbance, 6 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 13 — Suspect info, 11:29 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 14 — Suspicious vehicle, 3:29 p.m., 46000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 15 — Suicide threat, 10:49 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 15 — Public disturbance, 7:46 p.m., Tripp Flats Rd. Handled by deputy.

Twin Pines

- Dec. 9 — Alarm call, 8:44 p.m., Woodcliff Dr. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 12 — Miscellaneous criminal, 3:56 p.m., Woodcliff Dr. Handled by deputy.

Two injury crashes on Hill roads over the last week

There were two injury crashes on Hill roads over the last week, one involving a van and the other a motorcycle.

At 3:55 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, George Appel, 90, of Idyllwild, was driving a green 2000 GMC van eastbound on Highway 74, 3 miles west of McCall Park Road, when

he drove off the road, into the mountainside and eventually a ditch. According to the California Highway Patrol report, Appel said he lost control of the vehicle because he was blinded by the sun.

Appel and his passenger, Nancy Appel, 79, also of Idyllwild, complained of pain and were trans-

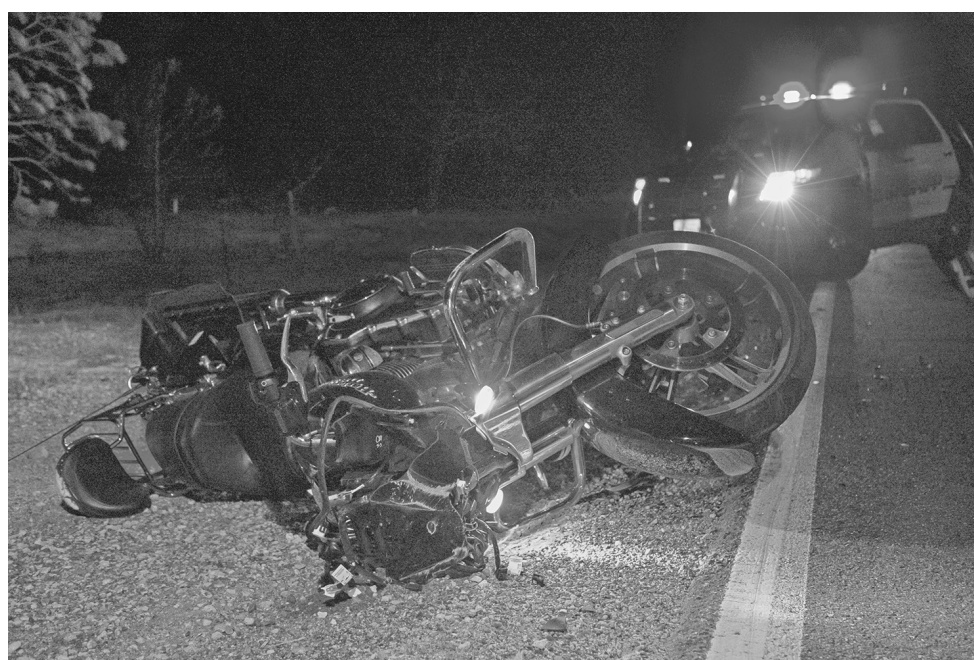
ported by American Medical Response ambulance to Hemet Valley Medical Center in Hemet. The van was towed to Idyllwild by Idyllwild Garage.

At 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, Christopher Kirsch, 25, of San Diego, was riding a 2018 Harley Davidson Road Glide motorcycle westbound, 2

miles west of Apple Canyon Road in clear and dry weather conditions, when he made an unsafe turning movement and laid the bike down causing Kirsch minor injuries. He was transported to Riverside University Health System Medical Center by Idyllwild Fire Department ambulance.

According to California Highway Patrol Officer Mike Bell, about 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, Christopher Kirsch, 25, of San Diego, was traveling westbound on Highway 74 just east of the juncture with Highway 243. For unknown reasons, he lost control of his Harley Davidson, crashing off the highway. The Idyllwild Fire Department transported Kirsch to Riverside Regional Medical Center with minor to moderate injuries.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



According to Omar Rivieri, of Idyllwild, Rivieri was driving south on Highway 243 Tuesday night, Dec. 11, when he heard a pop and suddenly lost control of his 2015 Subaru. Rivieri hit the guard rail, and spun around the end of it, teetering over the edge of the highway. Rivieri was uninjured. Idyllwild Garage quickly removed his car. Highway 243 was closed in both directions for a short time while the scene was cleared.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Vote

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extensive tests of multiple voting systems. In August 2007, she decertified all electronic voting equipment in the state.

Since then, Riverside County has returned to paper ballots. And the state has essentially expanded the window to register to vote and to submit ballots. Also, questions about signatures and registration have created a much larger batch of provisional ballots, which must be researched. Voters can be contacted about their ballot, and have several weeks to come into the registrar's office to review and provide proof of a valid ballot. This process takes time, according to Spencer.

"It's really sad we're still in the old school methodology basically on the state's insistence," Jeffries lamented.

In August, current Secretary of State Alex Padilla certified an open-source election tally system for Los Angeles County. This system was employed for vote-by-mail ballots in the county last month.

Jeffries will assume the board chair in January and promised to appoint a committee to work with Spencer and the County Executive Office to find and to fix the voting system going forward. However, he acknowledged, "Accuracy is more important than speed."

When asked the possible cost, Spencer estimated that new electronic systems might be purchased for about \$10 million. That total could be less if the county were granted matching funds, which the state is offering. The current state budget included \$134 million for counties to replace voting systems. Counties can use the money for acquisition of hardware, software, and licenses and peripheral equipment.



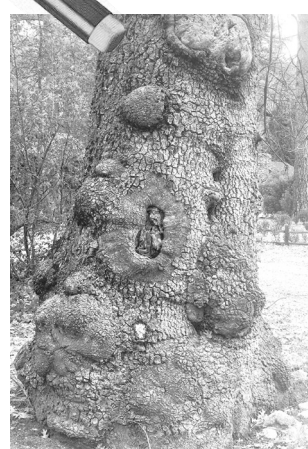
BY JACK CLARK
CONTEST JUDGE

Last week's photo of a birdcage in a planter at the Idyllwild Area Historical Society was identified by four of you: Rochelle Ainsworth, Dave Hunt, Kris Kirschbaum and Chris Morse. Four slips in the hat, one got pulled out: Rochelle's. So, Rochelle, please come to the Town Crier to pick your prize.

Gift certificates are supplied through the courtesy and generosity of Higher Grounds Coffee House and the Red Kettle restaurant. Please, let's all patronize their fine establishments.

So, where have you seen what's in today's photo? That is one gnarly oak, isn't it?

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.



Free tax preparation

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ship of Riverside County. Volunteers are required to go through training (November/December) and become IRS VITA-certified. Tax preparation sites are open from Jan. 31 to April 15 annually.

Schedule appointments at 951-848-7607 or online at capriverside.ifrontdesk.com/programs/.

Public Notices

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For questions about Public Notices call the Town Crier (951) 659-2145 or Email: mandy@towncrier.com

Every day throughout the United States, newspapers publish thousands of public notices about events, conditions or actions that affect countless individuals, families, neighborhoods and businesses. Public notices cover many topics, including business matters, liquor licensing, public auctions and sales, estates, zoning, public meetings, bids to sell goods and services to the government, local government finances and state and local elections. Public notice is a fundamental component of our system of representative democracy, which depends upon the participation of educated, responsible citizens.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as STRENGTHS ADVANTAGE 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).) Registrant Signature: TIFFANY M BAKER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 14, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201815672

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

THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT OF ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regularly published once a week or oftener, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of notice commences with the first day of publication and terminates at the end of the twenty-eighth day, including therein the first day.

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, 27, 2018.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as KINGDOM LIFE MINISTRIES at 27262 Via Industria, Temecula, CA 92590, Riverside County. THE EMPOWERMENT CENTER at 27262 Via Industria, Temecula, CA 92590. The List State of Corporation is CA. This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 11/14/2018. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) Registrant Signature: TIFFANY M BAKER
PRESIDENT
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 14, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201815673

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

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 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. JAMES ALTON DODSON at 333 N Palm Canyon Dr #101, Palm Springs, CA 92262.

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).) Registrant Signature: JAMES ALTON DODSON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 28, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201816176

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

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CERTIFICATION
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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as BUCOLIC TRAVELER at 53625 Double View Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 878, Idyllwild, CA 92549. EVA MARIE GIOELLI at 53625 Double View Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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).) Registrant Signature: EVA MARIE GIOELLI
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 21, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201815999

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

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SOLUTIONS BY MICHELLE at 1735 N Via Miraleste, Unit 1914, Palm Springs, CA 92262, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 2313, Palm Springs, CA 92263. MICHELLE ANN NEHEZ at 1735 N Via Miraleste, Unit 1914, Palm Springs, CA 92262.

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).) Registrant Signature: MICHELLE ANN NEHEZ
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 26, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201816022

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

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018.

HEC1802252
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 North State Street, Hemet, CA 92343. Branch name: Hemet Superior Court.
BRANDI LEIGANN SHAW TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
a. Present name: BRANDI LEIGHANN SHAW changed to Proposed name: BRANDI LEIGHANN THOMAS

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

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: JAN 24 2019 Time: 1:30PM, Dept. H1.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Riverside, Idyllwild Town Crier. Date: Nov 21 2018
TIMOTHY E FREER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 13, 20, 27, 2018, Jan. 3, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SKINNSATION at 19975

Readers

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James & Sandi Fulcher; Deborah & Julian Geisinger; Eva & Ken Gioeli; Lance & Tricia Gould; Stephen Gould; Douglas Hopper; Bob Houck; Jeanette Johnson; Josh & Lea Johnson; Avianna Jones; Suzie Jones; Evelyn & Harris Kight-Moore; Anthony La Petra; Lewis & Marilyn Leih; Karla & W.F. Leopold; Doris Lombard & Ron Perry; Pat Lundeen; Gail & Scott Martin; John & Kathleen McAndrews; Mesa Silver Native Jewelry (Sheila Keifetz); Dan & Linda Meyer-Abbott; Betsy Meyers; Miller Jones Mortuary (Nick Jones); Dr. Marjorie Mosier; Anson Musselman - gift from his grandfather Charles Carey; Wayne Myers & Aaron Twombly; Mary Nelson; Thomas Noce CPA CFE; Sheila Ollar; Joel Palmer; Robert Peterson; Vivian Pranger - gift from James Palmer; Mary Teresa Price; Alison Primoza & Jesse Sandoval; Ann Read; George & Susan Reardon; Lillian Riede; Marshall & Sally Rigdon; Riverside County Sheriff's Department; Sherrie & Ernie Sanchez; Dr. Charles Schelly; Ric & Carol Service; Donna & Lalo Shiffrin \$139; Diane Smith - gift from Nadiene Kuhn; Connie & David Speltz; Larry Spicer; Roy & Wendy Stephens; Stephen Sutton; Dr. Erna Toback & Norman Toback; Donna Towne; Alex & Valerie Virtue; Barbara & David Wilke; Mr. & Mrs. Dick Wilmot - gift from Robert McCalla; Fredricka & Paul Young; (0) Anonymous \$100.

Thank you, all!

World orphan choir returns in concert

The Matsiko World Orphan Choir will again perform for free this year at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, at McNeil Hall at Idyllwild Pines Camp.

Matsiko is a Ugandan word for "hope." This word embodies both the children and the songs they sing.

The choir is made up of orphan children from several countries and reaches thousands of children with the hope of a brighter future. Proceeds generated by the choir tour and merchandise sales (authentic, handmade gifts from their native countries) go directly to supporting life-changing educational sponsorship that affords orphaned children a chance at a university degree.

The Matsiko kids relish the chance to get a behind-the-scenes look at the real lives of working professionals. As they meet people during the tour, the children realize that their dream for a better life is attainable.

Track Santa's journey Christmas Eve

The North American Aerospace Defense Command is a United States and Canada binational 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.

Since 1955, NORAD has used satellites, high-powered radar, jet fighters and special Santa cameras to track Santa Claus as he makes his journey around the world.

To follow Santa on Christmas Eve, visit www.norad-santa.org/.

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Nipoma Ct., Riverside, CA 92508, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 19975 Nipoma Ct., Riverside, CA 92508. SINIA ETHEL JENNINGS at 19975 Nipoma Ct., Riverside, CA 92508.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) Registrant Signature: SINIA ETHEL JENNINGS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 30, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201816310

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CERTIFICATION
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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Dec. 20, 27, 2018, Jan. 3, 10, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as CANDY CUPBOARD at 54250 North Circle Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 794, Idyllwild, CA 92549. JENNIFER LYNN MCKEE at 25548 White Oak Dr., Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact

business under the fictitious name listed above on 2013.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).) Registrant Signature: JENNIFER LYNN MCKEE
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 13, 2018.

FILE NO.: R-201816810

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Braille offering free classes

Braille Institute Rancho Mirage announced enrollment is now open for nearly 60 free Winter Session classes offered at its Rancho Mirage location, and 10 classes at its new Riverside facility. The classes, offered in English and Spanish, are especially designed for people living with vision loss. The classes emphasize basic life skills and focus on new techniques to help people live well with low vision, celebrate life through arts and healthy living, and feel more confident with daily living safety tips.

To participate, students must be experiencing vision loss (often as a result of macular degeneration, diabetes, glaucoma, cataracts or other condition) that cannot be corrected by conventional glasses/contact lenses. Students can receive a referral from a doctor, ophthalmologist, or optician or they can self-refer. There is no fee to participate in the classes, but students must register with Braille Institute by calling 1-760-321-1111 or visit the facility at 70-251 Ramon Road in Rancho Mirage.

Holocaust warning system

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum recently unveiled its updated Early Warning Project. Developed by the Museum's Simon-Skjoldt Center for the Prevention of Genocide and Dartmouth College, the Early Warning Project is a first-of-its-kind prevention tool that utilizes data analysis, crowd forecasting, and qualitative assessments to help policy makers identify countries at risk of atrocities to prioritize responses that could prevent such crimes. The tool focuses on atrocities against new victim groups; it does not forecast violence for ongoing atrocities.

Part of the Early Warning Project is a Statistical Risk Assessment that focuses on countries with the greatest risk for atrocities against new victim groups, countries where risk has been consistent over time and countries where risk has increased or decreased significantly.

Accessible at earlywarningproject.usmm.org, the Early Warning Project is one tool available to experts in government, NGOs, academia, and others who focus on genocide prevention. It aims to foster attention and discussion around places at high risk for violence, particularly countries that may be unexpectedly susceptible, and what options are available to mitigate those risks.

New app for county 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.

Support for caretakers

A series of classes for family members who care for older adults with Alzheimer's, stroke, Parkinson's and other chronic conditions is being offered for free through the Riverside County Office on Aging. Attendees will receive information on community resources, acquire skills to cope with changing demands and better understand how dementia affects personality and decision making.

The Care Pathways program begins in January throughout Riverside County.

It provides a series of weekly workshops designed to offer information and support to family caregivers who face challenges managing their care giving responsibilities for a family member, 60 years of age or older. The classes are offered in both English and Spanish; some classes are offered in the evening for caregivers balancing work and elder care.

To register, call 951-867-3800 or 800-510-2020. Home care can be arranged for the care recipient; request respite assistance at the time of registration.

Chess club is on Fridays

The Idyllwild Chess Club meets from 1 to 5 p.m. every Friday at the Idyllwild Library. Beginners are encouraged to come and learn the "royal game." Bring a chess set if you have one.



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Dec. 21 deadline for Jan. 1 coverage from Covered California

Covered California announced that California residents have through Friday, Dec. 21, to select a health insurance plan that will start on Tuesday, Jan. 1.

This extension of the first major deadline to have health insurance starting Jan. 1 is in response to a surge of interest in enrollment. Also, Covered Cal wants consumers to have ample time to enroll amid news reports of a legal ruling on the Affordable Care Act.

The announcement came Friday, Dec. 14, the final day of the federal open enrollment period, and hours after a Texas United States District Court Judge declared the ACA unconstitutional.

"Open enrollment is full steam ahead and continues in California and other states for several more weeks," said Covered California Executive Director Peter V. Lee. "No one in California should let this ruling discourage them from enrolling in health coverage or be worried about using the health plan they have."

Federal officials have indicated the law will remain in place pending appeal.

While the open-enrollment period for health insurance ends for most of the country on Saturday, Covered California reminds consumers that they will be able to sign up all the way through Jan. 15, 2019.

"For most of the nation, the open-enrollment period ends [Saturday, Dec. 15], but that's not the case in California," Lee said. "Covered California will be open for another month. We put consumers first, making sure they have time to find the plan that best fits their needs."

Consumer interest has surged in the past week, with about 58,000 people signing up for coverage since Monday, Dec. 10, including 12,000 on Thursday and 17,000 on Friday. The increased pace brings the number of new enrollees to select a plan during the current open enrollment period to 179,000. Another 1.2 million Covered Cal consumers have renewed their existing coverage for 2019.

"While we have been considering a deadline extension for some time, the potential confusion surrounding this ruling means giving our consumers five more days to enroll is the right thing to do," Lee said in the announcement press release.

Consumers can easily find out if they are eligible for financial help and see which plans are available in their area by entering their ZIP code, household income and the ages of those who need coverage into Covered Cal's Shop and Compare Tool.

"If you have checked before, take the time to check again, and don't leave money on the table when you can get the peace of mind and protection that comes with health care coverage," Lee urged the uninsured.

The average Covered Cal enrollee pays about \$5 per day for coverage, but many pay far less. One out of every three Covered Cal consumers who receive financial help can purchase a Silver plan — which provides the best overall value — for \$50 or less per month. Nearly three out of five of these consumers can get a Silver plan for \$100 or less per month.

Those interested in learning more about their coverage options should visit www.CoveredCA.com, where they can get help to enroll. They can explore their options and find out if they qualify for financial help by using the Shop and Compare Tool. They can also get free and confidential enrollment assistance by visiting www.coveredca.com/find-help/ and searching among 700 storefronts statewide or 16,000 certified enrollers who can assist consumers in understanding their choices and enrolling, including individuals who can assist in other languages.

In addition, consumers can reach the Covered California service center by calling 1-800-300-1506.

Supervisor Washington assumes state and regional roles

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Riverside County 3rd District Supervisor Chuck Washington's term as chair of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors ends with 2018. However, the Hill's representative will be just as busy and involved in local and countywide issues in 2019.

Earlier this month, he was elected to serve as chair of the Riverside County Transportation Commission. Also, he was selected to be a member of the executive committee for the California State Association of Counties, so his voice and views will go beyond Riverside County.

"I've been an alternate the last two years," Washington said about the CSAC position. "This is the first time I'll be a full voting member."

The CSAC executive committee holds about six meetings annually. It discusses various program and legislative initiatives, which it presents to the full membership representing all 58 California counties.

The five Southern California counties — Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego — have more than half of the state's population, which bestows even more responsibility on Washington, he added.

"There are historic inequities, such as funding formulas, which have affected Southern California," he noted. "We have long referred to this region as the 'self-help' counties, because there is no one else to rely on."

But Washington is justly proud and recognizes the importance of becoming the chair of the RCTC. This group has a very direct and dramatic effect on the county and



Riverside County 3rd District Supervisor **Chuck Washington** (second from right) at ceremonial groundbreaking for the long-awaited Idyllwild Community Center on Saturday morning, May 26, with **Lois and David Butterfield** (left), generous benefactors to the community, and Washington's wife, **Kathy**. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

how its growth is directed.

"Our agenda is primarily focused on the inevitable growth in Riverside County," he said. "This is coming from jobs and millennials moving here. We have a need for investment in our infrastructure and have to listen to our residents and commuters."

In March, Washington will complete his fourth year on the Board of Supervisors. He was appointed in March 2015, to replace Jeff Stone, who was elected to the state Senate. In November 2016, Washington was elected to a full, four-year term.

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

County reopens hiking trails

Seven hiking areas in the county have been re-opened. Riverside County Fire Chief Shawn Newman announced the reopenings last week. Hiking is now permitted in these areas:

- Avery Canyon (Gibbel Road east of State Street in Hemet)
- North Mountain and Indian Canyon (San Jacinto area)

- Whitewater Canyon (Cabazon, north of Palm Springs)
- Nuevo/Lakeview (east of Menifee Road and San Jacinto Avenue)
- Minto (Sage)
- Reinhardt Canyon (north of Highway 74 and California Avenue in Hemet)
- Ramona Bowl and Bautista Canyon (southeast Hemet)

Two bald eagles maintain residence at Lake Hemet

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The first bald eagle count of the 2018-19 winter was held Saturday. The two adult eagles, who have built a home at Lake Hemet, were spotted during the count.

Nine other eagles, adults and younger, were seen at the other four sites.

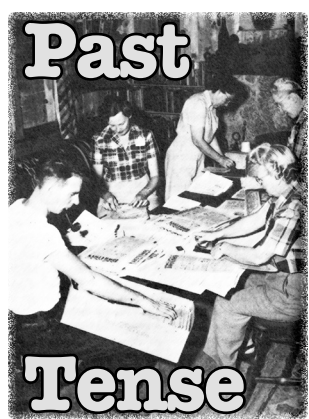
This is the 40th consecutive year of bald eagle counts on the San Bernardino National Forest. The sites are the five lakes — Big Bear, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Perris State Recreation Area and Silverwood — within the forest.

More than 100 people participated in the count, including 28 at the Lake Hemet site.

Several dozen bald eagles typically spend their winter vacations around Southern California's lakes, adding to a few resident nesting bald eagles that stay year-round. Agency biologists recruit the public to help monitor the local population by conducting simultaneous counts.

The dates for the three other bald eagle counts this winter are Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and March 9. No reservations are needed; just show up at a designated location at the start time with binoculars and a way to keep time.

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70 years ago - 1948
The Banning Water Company reported that 10 inches of surface water was added to its supply after the Dec. 4 6.4-magnitude earthquake. Officials weren't certain whether it was due to the quake or the storm.

65 years ago - 1953
Efren Reveles, U.S. Forest Service foreman in Idyllwild, was stunned that he had won first prize in a writing contest Houghton Mifflin sponsored. The award was a four-month trip around the world on the Queen Mary.

60 years ago - 1958
Dale Bischof was voted lineman of the year and most valuable player at Hemet High School.

55 years ago - 1963
A fire believed started from a fireplace completely destroyed the home of Lora Steere, pioneer mountain resident. The house was lo-

cated on Idyllwild Road near Strawberry Creek. Steere was out on a short walk when the blaze was detected.

50 years ago - 1968
Pine Cove's new fire station was completed.

45 years ago - 1973
Town Crier reported several crimes, including a stolen car, two professional hunting bow and arrow sets taken, four tires flattened, a window at a realty broken and a piece of asphalt used to tear a screen and break a window.

40 years ago - 1978
Two Palm Desert men were found safe after being stranded in the wilderness area above Idyllwild for four nights that included a sudden storm that dropped 2 feet of snow.

35 years ago - 1983
Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce Chair Dick Mars announced that vandals had taken more than 100 lights from the community Christmas tree for the second time in as many weeks.

30 years ago - 1988
Idyllwild Rotary Club threw a 30th-anniversary party.

25 years ago - 1993
Idyllwild Lions Club voted unanimously to



Firemen of the Idyllwild Fire Department demonstrate the water pressure that can be applied to a blaze in July 1964. The men uncorked full power in a training session at Fern Valley Corners. FILE PHOTO

withdraw its request to pursue the feasibility of refurbishing the ball field at Dutch Flat.

20 years ago - 1998
Local Tonya Miller published a cookbook designed to teach children which foods help build a strong, healthy body.

15 years ago - 2003
About 40 motorists congested Highway 243 near Jameson Drive due to spinning out on black ice.

10 years ago - 2008
Riverside County was considering an ordinance requiring all resident dogs and cats to be spayed or neutered, un-

less the owner obtained an unaltered dog or cat license.

5 years ago - 2013
Warnings were the highlight of the December Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting. With help from the diminishing rain in the past several years, bark beetle populations were

resurging and beginning to kill more pines on the Hill.

1 year ago - 2017
For Christmas, Finley Wilson, 4, wrote to Santa that he would like two jars of bugs and a Mr. Freeze Lego Batman Ice Attack set and a giant egg with surprises for Christmas.

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Christmas in Idyllwild very different from SoCal

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

For many, the palm tree symbolizes Southern California. But for any who are from colder climes, seeing outsized Christmas snowflake decorations hanging next to palm trees is not the Currier and Ives Christmas that has become enshrined in the U.S. as the “perfect” Christmas. For this writer, it has always been a stretch to feel that special Christmas spirit when on Christmas Day there is sunshine, warm temperatures, tank tops and shorts and, oh yes, palm trees.

To spend Christmas in alpine Idyllwild, in the blissful absence of palm fronds, is to inhale the delicate scents of pines and cedars, to see our sequoia-resplendent village square brilliantly lit in Christmas colors — that is the Christmas that most of the rest of Southern California dream of.

As Irving Berlin wrote: “The sun is shining, the grass is green, the orange and palm trees sway, there’s never been such a day, in Beverly Hills L.A. But it’s December the twenty fourth and I’m longing to be up north. I’m dreaming of a white Christmas, just like the ones I used to know.”

So, if you’re down in the flatlands, underneath a palm tree, and you are dreaming of the perfect Christmas “just like the ones you used to know,” come to Idyllwild.

The newly fashioned town square, gift of Loie and Dave Butterfield, has three young sequoias, each 30 feet tall and weighing more than 17,000 pounds, donated by the Pine Cove Water District to help complete the village square, christened Idypark, that New England native Dave Butterfield saw as a perfect park for the center of town. The young sequoias join their 100-foot elders, one of which sports more than 6,000 LED Christmas lights.

Around Idypark, local shops and restaurants serve up holiday fare and wares, with a friendly, laid-back mountain ambience.

On Christmas Day, daytime temperatures, although warm in the low 50s, dip to 32 degrees Christmas night with a chance for showers. That could mean a dusting of snow at the higher elevations — a white Christmas.

Christmas events in town include “An Idyllwild Christmas” at 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, at Town Hall, with children’s activities, music and refreshments, and a “Family Candlelight Celebration” from 4 to 5 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve, both hosted by the Idyllwild Assembly of God Church.

St. Hugh’s Episcopal Church holds a Christmas Eve sing along, followed by a special Christmas Eve service. Said St. Hugh’s Vicar Daniel Rondeau, “All are welcome. You don’t have to be Episcopalian to hear the stories and sing the songs of Christmas.”

Community Presbyterian Church on North Circle is also holding a Christmas Eve service, with candlelight, at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24.

At 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, the Matsiko World Orphan Choir from Uganda in Africa return to McNeil Hall at Idyllwild Pines Camp for a concert. The choir is made up of orphan children from several countries in Africa and offers hope to both the choristers and to those who hear them sing. “Matsiko” means hope in the Luganda language.

Check local churches for Christmas schedules. Many are celebrating the birth of Jesus on Sunday the 23rd at their regular worship times.

Local restaurants, wineries, galleries, wine spots and brew pubs are festively decked out for Christmas and many are featuring live entertainment.

Christmas in Idyllwild is a very special time, in many ways unique to Southern California and, oh yes, there are no palm trees.



Helping to distribute the gifts from the New Spirit Toy Drive was **Santa Claus**, who came early to Idyllwild. New Spirit holds an annual toy drive for any child who wants an early gift from Santa. **James Finches**, 12, of Idyllwild, was one of the first to receive a gift, but dozens of other kids of all ages waited patiently for their turn.
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Spirit Mountain Retreat held its annual Winter Solstice Celebration at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon. Local Color sang and others spoke. Careena Chase was one of many to participate in speaking. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Darrien Martus held a CD release party at Higher Grounds Coffee House Friday night. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Idyllwild Storytellers brought many poets out to Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery Friday night. Brian Michael Tracy opened the event. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Butterfly enthusiast and photographer Bruce Watts shared his knowledge and photos of butterflies during his talk at the Idyllwild Library Tuesday evening, Dec. 11. He discussed butterfly habitats and their life cycle and presented a slide show. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Don and Karen Doshier share the Town Crier at Wailua Falls, one of the stops on their 15-day cruise to Hawaii visiting The Big Island, Oahu, Kauai and Maui. PHOTO COURTESY THE DOSHIERS



Lucas Reiner discusses his art and career with visual arts students at Idyllwild Arts last week. He was at the school as the juror for the gallery showing of students' art work. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

An outpouring of support from heroes for fire losses

By Marshall Smith
STAFF REPORTER

Editor's note: Support for those fighting the Cranston Fire and those who suffered loss came from many in the community. If you know of organizations and individuals who could be acknowledged, please contact Marshall Smith at marshall@towncrier.com.

If you live in Idyllwild, you have some sense that in times of danger, loss and need, town folk come together to help, in ways big and small.

Whether it's searching for a missing man and his dog, sending money to Hurricane Katrina victims or taking care of our own, Idyllwild is a town of local heroes. These heroes don't seek acknowledgement. They give from the heart when they see suffering and need.

As we experience the joy of Hanukkah and Christmas, and prepare for a new year, readers suggested the Town Crier, as part of its end-of-year review, write about those who showed up and helped during and after the Cranston Fire.

This article is the first to acknowledge these local heroes. There will be more stories about those who fought the fire, those who helped feed first responders, and the many residents who came together to assist families who lost homes and treasured belongings, lost work income because of prolonged evacuation, had to pay for evacuation living expenses, replace food spoiled because of loss of electrical power and other exigent needs resulting from the fire.

The Idyllwild Library created a wall of "Local Heroes" — thank yous to individuals and businesses who helped during and after the fire. The heroes' names are featured separately from the particular gift or gifts given, in a deft acknowledgment that no one asked to be recognized. Residents posted

gratitude for such things as: "checking on my cats and giving me peace of mind;" "offering a couch for Sugar and cat and I;" "keeping me company;" "texting and keeping me informed" and many other gracious deeds. All the notes touchingly show the many thoughtful gifts townsfolk gave to others.

Some post-fire gifts were often large beyond what a town as small as ours might be expected to raise: more than \$900 for the Idyllwild Community Fund at a Sandii Castleberry wiffleball tournament; \$10,737 in donations to the ICF with the Community Foundation of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties matching up to \$10,000 for a total of more than \$20,000.

Shannon Ng, ICF president, reported that the Community Foundation's \$10,000 match would go to the Idyllwild Help Center, because of their case management ability to track how donations are spent. "The balance of \$10,737 [how it is spent] can be decided by ICF but must go to nonprofits set up to help in this specific area [i.e. Cranston Fire relief]," she said.

Soroptimist Theresa Teel noted her organization wrote six \$500 checks for those who lost homes. "It's not something we budgeted for, but we felt it was something we had to do," she said. "There were people out of work, people who didn't have insurance. We knew we had to help."

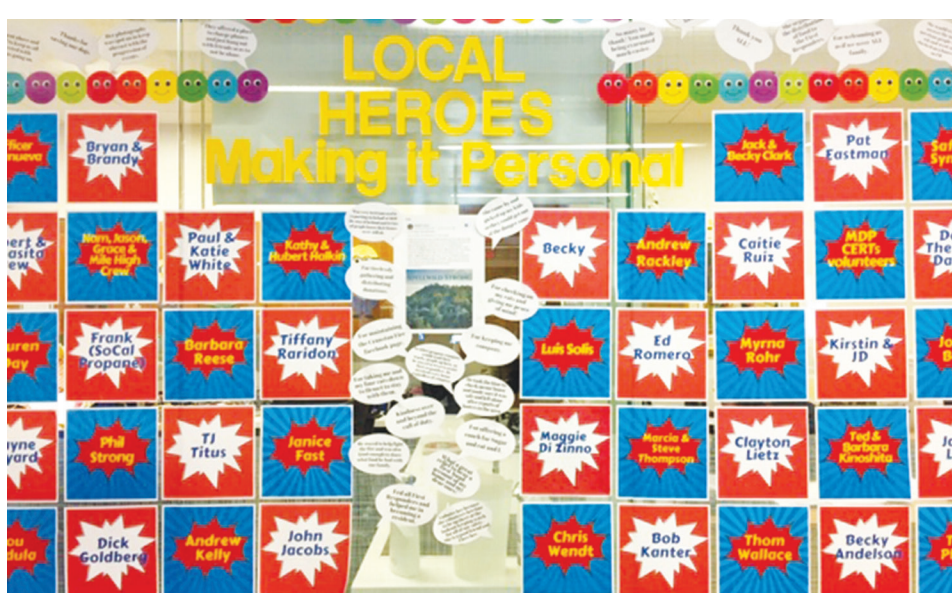
Kathy Wilson and her Young Idyllwild crew, with the help of local musician Brian Parnell, staged a series of concerts in August that raised \$42,500 from donations, silent auctions and merchandise. In association with the Help Center, another \$955 was raised through T-shirt sales to be used by the Help Center for Cranston Fire victims. The \$42,500 raised from the three days of concerts at local venues was paid out through grant applica-

tions to residents who had lost homes, income and other needs, according to Wilson.

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild raised \$5,000 through a special musical event held on Sept. 9. According to AAI Secretary Peter Szabadi, the money was paid directly to four local individuals who lost their homes in the fire.

There are other organizations and individuals who also raised money. We will have some of their stories in next week's article.

Marshall Smith can be reached at marshall@towncrier.com.



Library Wall of Cranston Fire Local Heroes.

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ART'S CORNER

By ARTHUR CONNOR
MUSIC REVIEWER

The evening of Saturday, Dec. 15, proved briskly cold, with an unclouded first-quarter moon lighting the way up Cahuilla toward Lowman Concert Hall for the Idyllwild Master Chorale's holiday presentation, which proved as eclectic as previous performances by this deservedly august body.

Guest singers and players all joined in for an aurally decorative program, featuring both classical and popular selections, to a nearly three-quarters-full weekender audience and a fully formed concert space.

Beginning with a selection of French and Spanish carols (sung for the most part in English), the assembled choral group availed itself foremost in the blend of solo voices with the general choir; in particular, the voice of featured mezzo-soprano Christina Esser for her interpretations of Un flambeau, Jeanette, Isabelle and Adolphe Adam's Cantique de Noel (the latter with three verses, sung in English).

The Spanish-language selections were tastefully accompanied by acoustic guitarist David Jerome's stylings, matching the piano accompaniment of Edwin Hansen, as well as the general chorus.

What have become staples of these Yuletide performances — the O Magnum Mysterium of Morten Lauridsen and Vivaldi's Gloria — were essayed with their usual verve and balance, and for a somewhat memorial touch, the chorale's offerings of the Pie Jesu from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Requiem and the Cesar Franck setting of Panis Angelicus were particularly affecting, with dual sopranos Luana Canty and Linda Wallace in the former and tenor John B. Fleming in the latter, bringing in memories of those who have passed in the course of the year, at least to this listener.

The two movements of the Vivaldi's Concerto for Two Trumpets and Strings proved a spectacular adjunct to the same composer's Gloria; trumpeters Richard Candelaria and Colin Hacker effected the true Baroque trumpet sonorities that the hall was responsible for in no small measure, and in the selected excerpts from George Frederick Handel's Messiah, similar effects were present — the concluding Hallelujah Chorus was joined in by several audience members, who also provided continued approbational applause at its conclusion.

Following a short intermission, the popular portion of the evening's presentation featuring the stylings of pianist/composer/arranger John Rodby, as well as the singing talents of Master Chorale perennials Sherry Williams and Fleming, was a somewhat abbreviated program which proved more popular than jazzy in concept — particularly in the concluding Holiday Medley (in which soloists and chorus members banded notes together and separately).

One should note here a particularly affecting rendition of Some Children See Him by Ms. Williams, which should have appropriately conferred a blessing on the evening; however, the general reception of the vocal and instrumental talents proved more than sufficient for such required seasonal benediction.

Art Connor works at The Record Collector.

Bald eagle count Jan. 12

The U. S. Forest Service has scheduled one more bald eagle count for this winter. The count will be on Saturday morning, Jan. 12.

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.



During the Idyllwild Master Chorale 2018 concert, Christina Esser and Eric Bolton, accompanied by David Jerome on guitar, sang Ya Viene la Vieja. PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI



Julie Holmes and Nelms McKelvain, Two t' Suite, opened the Afterglow party, which followed Sunday's Idyllwild Master Chorale performance, at the Idyllwild Grand Lodge, which was full of attendees. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

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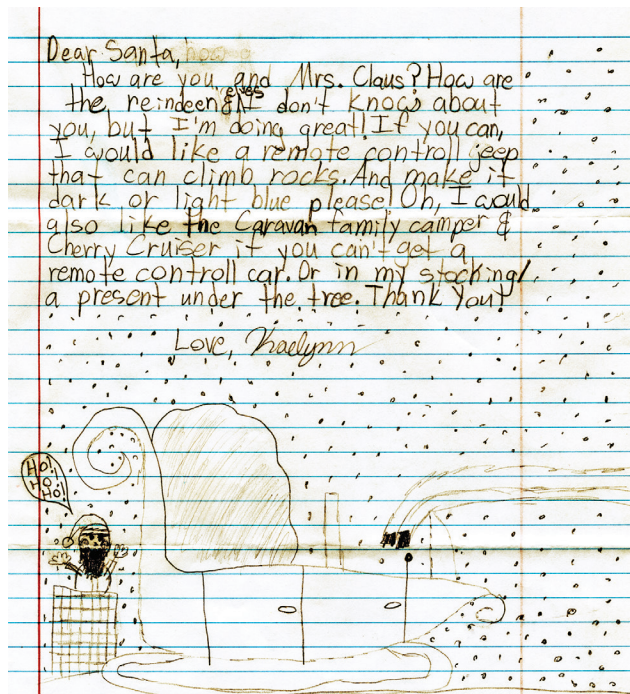
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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? How are the reindeer and elves? I don't know about you, but I'm doing great! If you can, I would like a remote control jeep that can climb rocks. And make it dark or light blue please! Oh, I would also like a Caravan family camper and Cherry Cruiser if you can't get a remote control car. Or in my stocking/a present under the tree. Thank you!

Love, Kaelynn



Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,

Merry Christmas! We have been kind to our friends and good listeners at Lil Critters Preschool. Please bring a gift for our teachers and Breanna. We told teacher Kathy what we want for Christmas. Fly safely!

Love, Lil Critters Preschoolers

Ruthie, 4 1/2 years - "L.O.L. dolls. 1, 2, 3, 4 L.O.L. dolls, L.O.L. Dollhouse too. That's all! Wait, I love unicorns!"

Owen, 4 1/2 years - "A spit wad. I really want a dinosaur, like little dino action figures."

Joseph, 4 1/2 years - "I want Romeo's Lab Play Set, and a toy telephone, and the Octonauts Gup A Vehicle that goes under water, and the Gup B vehicle."

Gavin, 4 years - "I want a crane operator, and I want a toy Santa, and a toy sleigh, and some toy elves, and that's all I want."

Kennedy, 3 years - "I want a toy dog that listens to me, and I can give him treats. I want 2 cleaning sets that comes with a broom and a water bottle that squirts water. I want a real Santa Paws."

Oliver, 3 years - "A tiny dump truck, and another tiny dump truck, a big dump truck, and a real snow plow."

Jameson, 3 years - "A excavator. Tools."

Gemma, 2 years - "I want a snack. I want toys and toys. I want Elsa, not Anna."

Keira, 2 years - "Peppa Pig!"

Logan, 2 years - "Santa, bring you a plane. Uh, open cars. I want Paw Patrol toy."

Jordan, 2 years - "A pink princess. Pink, pink, pink!"

Tony Bilecki

Dear Santa Claus I ben good they year

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- NCAA football 14 x Box 360
- Battle Bot set
- GoPro Hero 5 black
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Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

This year marks the 121st anniversary of probably the most famous Christmas newspaper editorial of all time. It was written by Francis P. Church in response to a letter from 8-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon. It was published on Sept. 21, 1897, in the New York Sun.

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

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

Dear Editor:

I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, "If you see it in the Sun, it's so."

Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus? Virginia O'Hanlon 115 West 95th Street

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

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa



ies! You might get your Papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

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

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

Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable their existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

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LETTERS TO SANTA

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Dear Santa,

I want a bean bag and a baby for Kamila and a toy tree and a green dinosaur called "stuffy green dinosaur." And sprinkles, because we rاند out of sprinkles, and vanilla. And the last thing is a stuffy dog.

Finley, 5

Tristan

Hi Santa What I want for Crismase is all rate hear and I hope Your having a grat bay.

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Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a karaoke machine.

I've been good this year.

Love,
Emily

Dear Santa,

I've been very good this year.

For Christmas I would like a car.

Love,
Jameson

Orion. Can I have a magic hat

Dear Santa, I would like a doll backpack and a stuffed turkey.

Love: Evy Teel

Dear Santa,

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THANK YOU

Dear Santa,

Hi! Lazer Blasters (toys) for me!

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Kids packed the Idyllwild Library Monday morning to watch Christmas magic, make crafts and get their face painted during the weekly Storytime, which is every Monday morning (except holidays) and features different storytellers and themes each week. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," everyone listened to the beginning of Bernard's letter to Santa.

Bernard: OK, everyone, here is the rest of my letter to Santa. Want to hear it?

Tex: Let's hear it!

Bernard: Hope I included everyone.

Pepper is a gorgeous tuxedo who really wants to get to know a human and then take up residence in her lap (or his!). She is a sweetie. And so is the original Sadie, another tuxedo. She really likes to wind in and out of a human's legs.

It's so sad that they are both still at ARF.

And speaking of Sadie, the second Sadie is amazingly friendly, so that's why she is the new office cat. She doesn't object to being picked up and loves to be petted. What a perfect pet!

And then there's Carly. Carly would rather be left alone, but she would be comfortable to live her life with a caring, loving human. She is fine with other cats, but just isn't

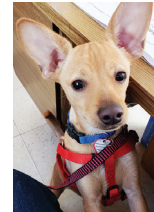


Bear

terribly excited about humans. Kitty-Kitty came to ARF when her human could no longer care for her. She isn't too excited about the other cats here, so she really, really needs a new forever home.

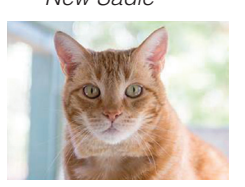


New Sadie



Bernard

I guess that's it, Santa. All I want for Christmas is a forever home for all of ARF's dogs and cats.



George

Is that asking too much? We all love humans and just want our own. Oh! One more thing. The collection box we left at Fairway has been filling up nearly every day. The humans of this mountain community are so generous and wonderful. Please be good to them, too! Happy Holidays!

Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of "Days of Our Nine Lives" Tex 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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December 2018 — Week 3



March 21 – April 19
You might be busier than you had expected right now. But between the socializing rounds and the workplace tasks, there are opportunities for special moments with that certain someone.



April 20 – May 20
Your creative approach leads to a quicker-than-expected solution to a workplace problem. Now you can devote more time to that proposal you hope to introduce by midmonth.



May 21 – June 21
Technological glitches create problems early on. But by midweek, all runs smoothly once again, and you're well and truly on your way to meeting all your deadlines.



June 22 – July 22
Your energy levels are high, and you feel you can handle everything that comes along. But try to take a break from your hectic pace for some quiet time with someone close to you.



July 23 – August 22
Before you pounce on that shiny new opportunity, take more time to check it out to see how much substance actually lies beneath all that glitter. A family member has important news.



August 23 – September 22
A personal situation you thought was resolved resurfaces, thanks to a possibly well-intentioned move that went awry. Deal with it as soon as possible. Accept the help of a trusted



September 23 – October 22
That goal you set way back when is finally in sight. Maintain your focus on achieving it, and don't allow yourself to be distracted by unimportant demands for your attention.



October 23 – November 21
A temperamental flare-up creates negative feelings that need to be dealt with immediately. But things once again go well after the apologies are made and hurt feelings are soothed.



November 22 – December 21
An early impulsive act causes confusion. But all is smoothed over once explanations are made. Expect a friend or family member to ask for your kind and always wise advice.



December 22 – January 19
You might have to do some juggling of your priorities, as a personal matter appears to require more time and attention. Put your pride aside and accept help from those who offer it.



January 20 – February 18
Your creative aspect is strong. Not only does it help you accomplish your goals, but it also inspires others. This could lead to a potentially rewarding collaboration opportunity.



February 19 – March 20
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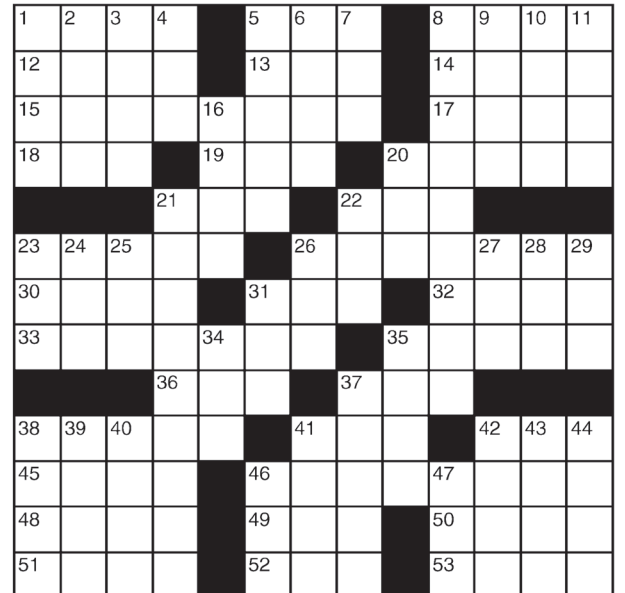
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CROSSWORD

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King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Trumpet
 - 5 Recipe meas.
 - 8 Arduous journey
 - 12 Reed instrument
 - 13 Pussy-Cat's partner
 - 14 Present
 - 15 Freebie
 - 17 Wedding symbol
 - 18 "Golly!"
 - 19 Illuminated
 - 20 Actor Tommy Lee
 - 21 Automaton, for short
 - 22 Not many
 - 23 Strictly — nous
 - 26 Excise
 - 30 Old Italian money
 - 31 Godfather's address
 - 32 Greet silently
 - 33 Abandon the nest
 - 35 Gold measure
 - 36 Child
 - 37 Whatever number
 - 38 Caesar, for one
 - 41 Saturnian saucer?
 - 42 Locate
 - 45 Cabbage salad
 - 46 Hidden passer
 - 48 Passport endorsement
 - 49 Rowing need
 - 50 Foundation
 - 51 Annoyingly slow
 - 52 Definite article
 - 53 Picnic invaders
 - 16 Burn aid
 - 20 Lustrous black
 - 21 Made to come apart easily
 - 22 Merriment
 - 23 Sprite
 - 24 Zero
 - 25 Have a go at
 - 26 Coquettish
 - 27 Series of skirmishes
 - 28 Actress Gardner
 - 29 Still
 - 31 Pop
 - 34 Victory
 - 35 Recognize
 - 37 Earlier, in verse
 - 38 Answer an invite
 - 39 Hodgepodge
 - 40 Halloween purchase
 - 41 Hexagonal state
 - 42 Former ugly duckling
 - 43 Bridge position
 - 44 Spud's buds
 - 46 Drunkard
 - 47 Lawyers' org.



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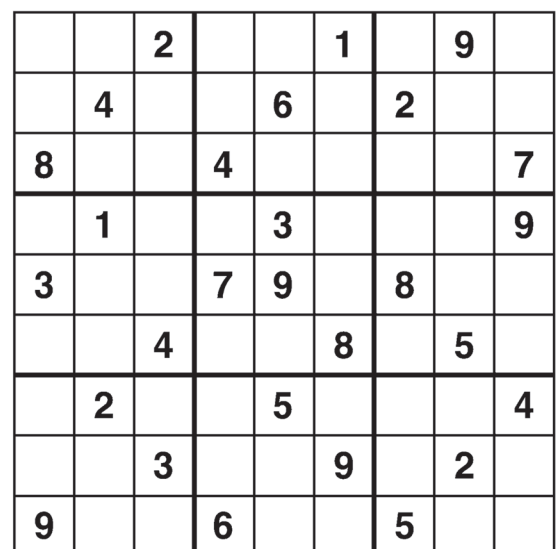
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| Airplane | Flyer | Powered | Wright |
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| Brothers | Gliders | Roll | |

(Answers on previous page)

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by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, Dec. 19

- Fireside Book Group Holiday Social, 2-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Holistic healing circle, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- Annie Jay, 6 p.m. Idyology.

Thursday, Dec. 20

- Sugar Bear, 6 p.m. Idyology.
- DJ Mike, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Friday, Dec. 21

- Yetis in the Yukon, 5-10 p.m.; DJ Hektik, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.
- Olde English Christmas Evening of Music & Ugly Sweater Contest, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Keith McCabe, 6 p.m. Idyology.
- Karaoke, dancing, DJ & music videos, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Saturday, Dec. 22

- Children's Library Storytime, "Seasons Greetings," Ms. Susan, 10 a.m. Thousand Trails Lodge.
- Terry Jo & Jeff Hixon (acoustic rock, folk rock, blues & country), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Yetis in the Yukon, 5-10 p.m.; Thee Champagne

Band, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m.; Yukon finale 10:30 p.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

- Vincent Deserr, 5 p.m.; Tongue & Groove, 10 p.m. Idyology.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Sunday, Dec. 23

- Idyllwild Christmas Sunday celebration, 10 a.m. Assembly of God Church, Town Hall.
- Lawrence & Clare (American Folk & A Touch of Christmas), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Keith McCabe, 6 p.m. Idyology.
- Matsiko World Orphan Choir, 7 p.m. McNeil Hall, Idyllwild Pines Camp.
- DJ Cre, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Monday, Dec. 24

- A Family Candlelight Celebration, 4-5 p.m. Assembly of God Church, Town Hall.
- Christmas Candlelight Celebration 4:30 & 6 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church.
- Christmas Eve celebration, 5 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.
- Sugar Bear, 6 p.m. Idyology.

Thursday, Dec. 27

- 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. 28

- Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Miles Thomas (soulful soft & pop rock guitar), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- DJ Cre, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Saturday, Dec. 29

- Change Required (classic rock hits), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Six Hot Live, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Sunday, Dec. 30

- Talisman Trio (Bill Saitta, Keith McCabe & Jody Cor-



Friday evening, Dec. 14, Brad Rechtfertig joined Keith McCabe and Ken Carter in their soul, blues and country music at Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

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tez) (pop, rock & Americana with an electric swirl), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

Monday, Dec. 31

- McShep w/Bill Sheppard & Keith McCabe (R&B, Everly Brothers & Pop Treasures), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Cole Withers, 6 p.m.; DJ Billy, 10 p.m. Idyology.

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An Idyllwild Christmas

December 23rd
10 a.m. Sunday Celebration
Children's Activities
Music
Refreshments

December 24th
4 - 5 p.m. Christmas Eve
A Family Candlelight Celebration

Christmas Carols
Candle Lighting
Refreshments

TOWN HALL
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Churches & Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

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| <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, 11a.m.-Noon.</p> | <p>Shiloh Christian Ministries ~ FULL GOSPEL ~ 54295 Village Center Dr. Pastors Wayne & LaDonna Slemc 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> |

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Volleyball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Michael Holato** gave this report on recent Coed Adult Volleyball games. Results for Town Hall Adult Coed Volleyball:

Games

Coed Volleyball finished the first part of their season before Christmas break.

- Wilson Woodworking defeated Idyllwild Brewpub 25-23, 25-17, 23-25 and 25-20. Then they defeated Pino Tree Service 25-18, 27-25 and 25-23.

- Idyllwild Garage defeated Pino Tree Service 25-23, 25-21, 24-26 and 25-19, and Silver Pines 25-16, 20-25, 20-25, 25-16 and 15-8.

- In the other game, Idyllwild Brewpub defeated Silver Pines 25-23, 25-23, 19-25 and 25-18.

Standings

| | Wins | Losses |
|--------------------|------|--------|
| Wilson Woodworking | 4 | 0 |
| Idyllwild Brewpub | 3 | 1 |
| Idyllwild Garage | 2 | 2 |
| Silver Pines | 1 | 3 |
| Pino Tree Service | 0 | 4 |

Regular season resumes after Christmas break Monday, Jan. 7. Playoffs are on Saturday, Feb. 16.

★ STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★



Christy Tilly, Idyllwild Middle School language arts teacher, chose eighth-graders **Fernando Maldonado** and **Nick Fletcher** as the week's students of the week. Mrs. Tilly said that Fernando "continues to make great strides in his reading and writing skills. He continuously monitors his grade and wants to work through any and all difficulties. He just jumped up nineteen points on his most recent reading test!" Of Nick, Mrs. Tilly said: "[He] has shown tremendous growth in responsibility and effort in language arts this year. He is starting to demonstrate he can blend both creativity and academic standards to create a high-quality product. I am so proud of him!"

PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON



Wednesday afternoon, kids learned to make faux stained glass at the Idyllwild Library.

PHOTO BY STEVEN KING



Idyllwild Volunteer Fire Company and Idyllwild Fire had the pleasure of barbecuing at Idyllwild School on Friday afternoon. Parents and families were able to join the students for lunch, which brought many smiles and laughs. Principal **Matt Kraemer** is overseeing the event.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Dori Capitani created and donated this sign for the Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild House recently.

PHOTO BY JANICE MURASKO

AA meetings on Christmas day

Alcoholics Anonymous is offering marathon meetings from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25, at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

Gift Wrapping Station at library

Until 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.

Actors sought for local filming

Adrienne Ferguson is producing a full-length film about a Native American woman solving murders in her small town while struggling with domestic abuse. She is seeking these non-SAG actors: an aged 25 to 30 Native American woman; aged 25 to 30 Latina; aged 40 to 45 Caucasian woman; two aged 50 to 60 Native American men; aged 50 to 60 Native American woman; and aged 20 to 25 Caucasian woman. Filming is in January and February.

Email aferguson@idyllwildarts.org if interested.

IDYLLWILD ARTS PRESENTS

Spring Writers Retreat
Developing the Writer Within:
The Craft and Art of Fiction

Led by **Janet Fitch**, author of the novels *White Oleander*, *Paint it Black* and *The Revolution of Marina M.*

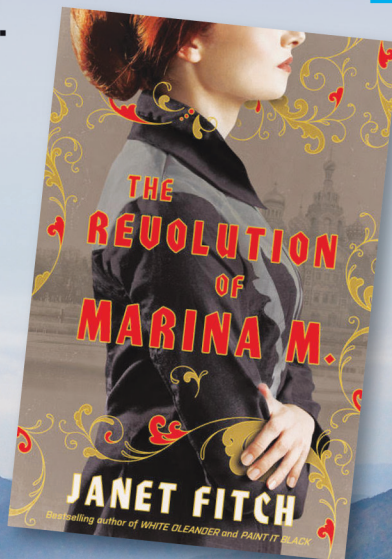
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 Ends mid-afternoon on Sunday April 7

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