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**COVID-19 LOCAL UPDATE**

## Six reported cases now

By Melissa Diaz Hernandez  
Editor

As of press time, the area of Idyllwild-Pine Cove has a total of six reported cases of COVID-19, according to the Riverside University Health System (RUHS) website. The first reported case for the area was on April 3. The fifth case was reported on May 18. No deaths have been reported for the area since the outbreak.

Riverside County is unable to provide how many of the six people infected with COVID-19 have recovered. "The recovery data is collected without noting city," wrote a representative from the county in an email. "At this point, that information is not available."

As of press time June 2, Riverside County has 8,155 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There are 342 deaths related to COVID-19 and 4,804 people have recovered. There are 203 individuals being hospitalized and of those 62 are in the intensive care unit (ICU).

As of press time May 27, Riverside County had 7,139 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There were 303 deaths related to COVID-19 and 4,285 people had recovered. There were 193 individuals being hospitalized and of those 63 were in ICU.

As of press time May 19, Riverside County had 6,053 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There were 270 deaths related to COVID-19 and 3,871 people had recovered. There were 195 individuals being hospitalized and of those 68 were in ICU.

To date, 123,022 people have been tested for COVID-19 in Riverside County, according to RUHS. The age range with the most confirmed cases in the county is still those between the ages of 40 and 64.

**Reopening**  
Riverside County qualified for the state's accelerated stage 2 reopening May 22.

The following are able to reopen: destination retail stores, including shopping malls and swap meets; dine-in restaurants; and schools with modifications.

As a reminder from the county: The local health order prohibiting primary schools for grades K-12 is still in effect until June 19.

Homeowners, who rent single occupancy residences for short-term stays in Riverside County, are

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Protesters take a knee during a protest in support of Black Lives Matter in Idyllwild Park on Monday afternoon. A county-wide curfew, from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., was put in place the same day. For more photos, see page A4. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

## San Bernardino National Forest takes steps to reduce human-caused wildfires

By U.S. FOREST SERVICE CONTRIBUTED

U.S. Forest Service-San Bernardino National Forest is enacting additional fire restrictions to protect the health and safety of employees and communities, effective immediately and until further notice:

- While operating an internal combustion engine, such as a generator, that engine must not leave a paved, dirt or gravel Forest Service System road or trail. Operating this device off-road is prohibited, as this increases the chance for sparks to light flammable materials.
- Any person operating a portable fire ring/pit, stove, or lantern must be five feet away from any flammable materials, provided that the portable fire pit/grill/stove/lantern has a fuel shut-off valve and does not burn wood or charcoal, and the person has obtained a valid California Campfire Permit. The clearance was previously three feet.

These restrictions are in addition to other fire restrictions that were already

in place on the San Bernardino National Forest:

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire or stove fire, except in a Forest Service provided campfire ring or BBQ within a developed recreation site.
  - Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
  - Welding, or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame.
- Forest Service officials are taking this necessary step to ensure that firefighters are available to safely respond and manage incidents.
- Ninety-five percent of all wildfires in California are human caused.
- With the above-normal fire season projected in much of California, and the combined potential for wildfires and smoke to impact communities and firefighters, we need to reduce or eliminate this large ignition source and protect our firefighting resources.

## Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council update

By NORM WALKER, MCFSC PRESIDENT CONTRIBUTED

I hope this article finds everyone safe and exercising caution during this continuing pandemic. Pandemic or no pandemic, the worst part of California's fire year is coming upon us no matter what and Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (MCFSC) is hard at work helping people prepare for it.

When the governor issued the Stay-at-Home order for our state, MCFSC Executive Director Kathy Wilson contacted Riverside County Supervisor Chuck Washington's office to see if we were considered "essential" and could keep working if we followed Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines.

Our status was confirmed for both the Fire

Safe Council and the Woodies volunteers.

The Woodies (masked up and social distancing) continue to provide firewood for those who qualify through the Idyllwild HELP Center, as well as doing small abatement jobs for those who qualify.

MCFSC (in person) board meetings were canceled for April and May and the June meeting has not been decided upon at this time.

Monies are running low from our U.S. Forest Service and Cal Fire grants but a small Paycheck Protection Program loan from the federal government has helped keep us in business this spring.

Team Rubicon will be in town from June 20 to 27 abating low-income properties and the Woodies will be helping with that effort.

We hope to have more details on that effort soon.

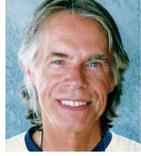
Idyllwild Fire Protection District and Riverside County/Cal Fire are out doing fire inspections. For abatement help, call us at 951-659-6208.

With that, we offer up this poem by long-time Director Doris Lombard.

*This is a warning from me, Red Ember  
Have you abated? Do you remember  
When flames roared up the terrain's brush,  
timber and grasses  
Nearly destroyed our homes  
burned all of our assets?  
It's time to remove those pine needles and leaves  
All things that burn, you can surely believe  
Red Ember and crew can scorch, burn and fly  
So abate or risk bidding your  
good home a goodbye!*

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**COVID**

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able to begin renting them out again. However, some cities may have implemented further restrictions.

**The Riverside County guidance includes the following:**

Rentals allowed in private homes where the guest rents the entire home and does not share any common areas with others. Home-sharing is not allowed.

No events or group gatherings are permitted until approved by the State of California. Only guests registered for the home should be on premise.

Complete a deep cleaning after each rental, using products and protocols outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Ensure a 24-hour reservation gap between when a guest departs and a new arrival.

Visit [www.RivCoBiz.org](http://www.RivCoBiz.org) for modifications and other measures encouraged by the county to keep employees, customers and clients safe.

**Houses of worship are now open**, but state guidelines indicate that attendees should be limited to 25% of normal room occupancy or 100 people, whichever is fewer.

The California Department of Public Health announced last week **counties that have qualified for accelerated reopening may reopen hair salons and barbershops with modifications** such as mandatory face coverings for both barbers or stylists and clients.

Salon activities that are still prohibited at this time are shaving, facial waxing, threading, eyelash services and facials.

The governor is using six key health and scientific indicators that will be considered before modifying the state's Stay-at-Home order to allow additional Stage 2 activity. Those six indicators are:

- The ability to monitor and protect our communities through testing, contact tracing, isolating, and supporting those who are positive or exposed;
- The ability to prevent infection in people who are at risk for more severe COVID-19;
- The ability of the hospital and health systems to handle surges;
- The ability to develop therapeutics to meet the demand;
- The ability for businesses, schools, and childcare facilities to support physical distancing; and
- The ability to determine when to reinstate certain measures, such as the Stay-at-Home orders, if necessary.

**Help for businesses**

On June 2, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved \$45 million in grant funding, up to \$10,000 per business, to aid small businesses that have been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. The awarded businesses will be chosen by an automated random selection process by Main Street Launch, a third-party nonprofit, according to the press release.

"Grants are not available to businesses that have received other federal assistance such as the Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loan or the Paycheck Protection Program," the county wrote in a press release. "Awardees must also develop and implement a safe reopening plan that addresses employee and customer health prior to disbursement." For more information on the grants, visit <https://rivcoccsd.org/covidbizhelp>. To fill out an application June 3 through June 19, visit <https://rivcoccsd.org/covidbizhelp>.

**Staying cool during the Stay-at-Home order**

Riverside County opened 13 cooling centers, including centers in Banning and Palm Springs, June 1 with modifications to accommodate coronavirus safety guidelines and those utilizing the centers will be asked to wear a face covering and social distance. The cooling centers are coordinated by the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County, in conjunction with Riverside University Health System - Public Health. The cooling centers are located in schools, senior and community centers. Light refreshments and water will be available at some locations, according to the press release.

For a list of cooling center locations, visit [www.capriverside.org](http://www.capriverside.org).

**Food assistance**

For those needing to connect with food resources, visit <https://rivcoph.org/coronavirus> and select "Food Access" at the top right for a county map directing you to food pantries, senior and school meals.

Nutrition services provided by Hemet Unified School District will continue through June 24. Breakfast and lunch meals are provided free of charge to children 18 years of age and under. Breakfast and lunch will be served Wednesdays only from 9-10:30 a.m. You will receive 10 meals (breakfast and lunch) per child for the week. It is a drive/walk-thru type of meal service. For those driving, HUSD asks that you stay in your car and 10 meals will be provided for each child present. If you have students at multiple schools, you only need to visit one location. Children need to be present to get their meals.

The County of Riverside created the Courtesy Pantry program to serve seniors and adults with disabilities who are unable to get food for themselves at this time.

This program is available to those 60 years of age and over and adults with disabilities. You must live in Riverside County. Call 800-510-2020 to see if you qualify.

Riverside County is asking restaurants to participate in the "Great Plates Delivered" program aimed at providing meals for at-risk seniors who are limiting their exposure to COVID-19 by staying home. Visit <https://www.rcaging.org/COVID-19/Great-Plates-Delivered-Program> for further details.

**Behavioral health**

For those in need of behavioral health assistance, you may utilize a computer and smartphone app called TakeMyHand.co. You may also contact 2-1-1 or call the behavioral health CARES line at 800-706-7500. A 24/7 free, confidential crisis or suicide intervention service can be reached at 951-686-HELP (4357).

**COVID-19 testing**

COVID-19 testing is available for those with or without symptoms.

Residents need to call 800-945-6171 to make an appointment over the phone for drive-up testing. Visit <https://www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus/testing> for a list of the testing sites.

State testing sites are operational in Riverside County. To make an appointment, visit <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> or call 888-634-1123.

Testing is available for everyone, regardless of insurance or immigration status, and is no cost to the resident, according to the May 5 press release.

Hemet Global Medical Center opened the first private COVID-19 drive-up testing site in Riverside County. You can make an appointment by calling 951-765-4757.

Fern Creek Medical Center in Idyllwild now offers a COVID-19 antibody test.

**Local entities update**

**Fern Valley Water District:** The office is closed to the public.

**Hemet Unified School District:** Visit [hemetusd.org](http://hemetusd.org) for the Learning Environment Survey for Fall Semester 2020-21. The district is asking families to complete a survey for suitable learning environments for their child(ren).

**Idyllwild Area Historical Society:** This year's Home Tour is canceled. The museum remains temporarily closed.

**Idyllwild Community Center:** ICC has closed all of its programs (including sports, senior fitness and childcare) for the time being. The food distribution program is still occurring. The Farmers Market is back Sundays from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. outside at Town Hall, 25925 Cedar Street.

**Idyllwild Fire Protection District:** The front office is now open to the public. When responding to calls where patients exhibit COVID-19 and flu-like symptoms, personnel will be using personal protective equipment. The patient will be handed a mask to put on themselves and personnel will then evaluate the patient in the back of the ambulance. If personnel need to go inside a residence, they will limit the length of time they are inside.

**Idyllwild HELP Center and Thrift store:** Check their Facebook page for updates.

**Idyllwild Library:** The library is closed to the public. All online services are still up and running. Staff are available for Live Chat or Ask a Librarian reference from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday through the Riverside County Library System website at <http://www.rivlib.info>. Branches are currently not answering phones. All books currently checked out



The state's planned stages for reopening.

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are being automatically renewed through at least early July and will continue to be renewed as needed so no late fees incur. The library is not accepting any book returns and will not accept any items left on the curb. Book donations have been suspended until the library reopens.

**Idyllwild Pharmacy:** Contact the pharmacy at 961-659-2135 or by sending an email to [idywildpharmacy@verizon.net](mailto:idywildpharmacy@verizon.net) to request prescriptions or over-the-counter items. Check the Idyllwild Pharmacy Facebook page for updates on hours.

**Idyllwild Shuttle:** The current schedule is as follows: Door-to-Door service from Pine Cove to Mountain Center is provided Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is transportation to Palm Desert and Palm Springs on Mondays via Mountain Center. Transportation to Hemet via Mountain Center is provided on Wednesdays. To get transportation to the food share at Mountain Center on Thursdays, meet at the HELP Center at noon. Reservations are required. Call 951-426-9688 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

**Idyllwild Town Crier:** The newspaper is still open, but our office is closed to the public. Printing, faxing and all in-person services are on hold until our office can reopen. For advertising information, contact Lisa Street-er ([lisa@towncrier.com](mailto:lisa@towncrier.com)) or Mandy Johnson ([mandy@towncrier.com](mailto:mandy@towncrier.com)) and for editorial questions contact Melissa Diaz Hernandez ([melissa@towncrier.com](mailto:melissa@towncrier.com)). We're answering the main phone line at 951-659-2145 during regular business hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Newspapers will be available to purchase from the new Town Crier office at 54391 Village Center Drive Suite #5, Idyllwild Pharmacy, Miss Sunshine's General Store and at Village and Fairway markets.

**Idyllwild Water District:** The district's office is open to the public.

**Pine Cove Water District:** The district's office is open. Masks are required.

**Riverside County offices:** Visit county department websites or call for updates and assistance on how to complete requests online, over the phone or through the mail.

**Riverside County Parks:** Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District (RivCoParks) Regional parks, trails and open-space areas are open for camping (with restrictions) and day-use activities, including fishing. Sports parks, nature centers, event centers and historic sites remain closed to the public.

**State parks:** Visit [www.parks.ca.gov/FlattenTheCurve](http://www.parks.ca.gov/FlattenTheCurve) for a list of closures. Online learning resources are also available for K-12 students.

**Restaurants**

Manzanita Cantina & Grill and Tommy's Kitchen are closed until further notice.

All the following restaurants and food purveyors are open for take-out and some have reopened for dining-in with social distancing and, in some cases, face mask requirements: Café Aroma, Coyote Red's, Candy Cupboard, Ferro, Fratello's, Idyllwild Brewpub, Idy Sushi Roll, Idyllwild Ice Cream & Jerky, Idyllwild Pizza Company, La Casita, The Lumber Mill, Mamma Mia Crepes & Desserts, Mile High Cafe, Mountain Center Cafe, Restaurant Gastrognome and The Red Kettle.



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For your good health and well-being, AMR Paramedics and EMT's encourages everyone to practice the following during the Covid-19 pandemic;

- Frequent hand washing for 20 seconds or longer
- Practice social distancing when you are out and about (6 feet or more)
- Place a mask over your mouth and nose when you are out and about

**TOGETHER WE CAN PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 AND SAVE LIVES!**




**Idyllwild Weather**  
From the National Weather Service

Wednesday 6/3 85/59 Mostly sunny	Sunday 6/7 73/48 Sunny
Thursday 6/4 84/53 Sunny	Monday 6/8 73/48 Sunny
Friday 6/5 73/46 Mostly sunny	Tuesday 6/9 77/51 Sunny
Saturday 6/6 67/47 Sunny	

Find the latest weather information from the National Weather Service at [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov).

**Idyllwild this year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
05/26	86	48	0.00	x
05/27	89	51	0.00	x
05/28	90	53	0.00	x
05/29	84	54	0.00	x
05/30	73	46	0.00	x
05/31	77	49	0.00	x
06/01	79	45	0.00	x

**Idyllwild last year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
05/26	45	33	0.27	0.0
05/27	51	34	0.29	0.0
05/28	62	34	0.03	0.0
05/29	70	39	0.00	0.0
05/30	72	42	0.00	0.0
05/31	74	44	0.00	0.0
06/01	72	42	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. [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](mailto: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](http://www.idyllwildtowncrier.com) or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.



Clouds overhead kept temperatures comfortable on the mountains ahead of an expected heat wave. Lake Fulmor was a beautiful sight Tuesday.

PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR

# Email may provide some insight to former IWD GM resignation

By MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ  
EDITOR

The newspaper received some of the documents it requested from the Idyllwild Water District (IWD) pertaining to the lawsuit filed by former General Manager Michael Creighton. An email included in the documents received may reveal at least one of the reasons former General Manager Darren Milner abruptly resigned.

The documents were received via email from the district's new General Manager Leo Havener at 11:02 a.m. the morning after the newspaper went to press (May 13), revealing that documents had not been produced well after the time to produce them had lapsed (as outlined by the California Public Records Act). The documents were requested in March.

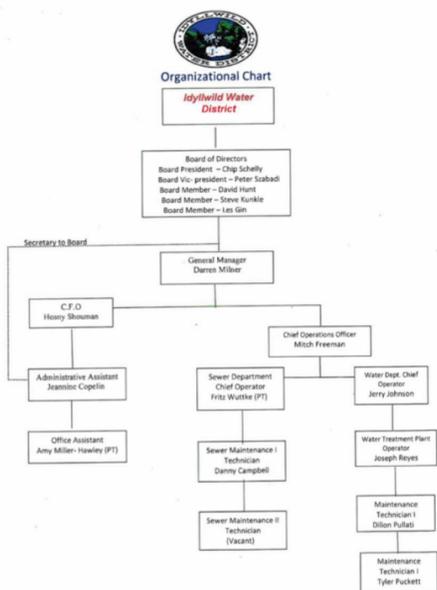
However, there are requested documents the newspaper has not received as of press time. Those are listed at the end of the story.

Creighton alleges in the lawsuit that the IWD board of directors unlawfully terminated him from his general manager position in retaliation for disciplinary actions he took in response to the Chief Financial Officer Hosny Shouman's reported harassment of female coworkers. The lawsuit also alleges that some of the district's board members violated the Brown Act.

The general manager between Creighton (fired Sept. 25) and Havener (hired March 4 during a special meeting) was Milner. His first day with the district was Oct. 21.

He abruptly resigned from the district on Nov. 17, a Sunday. In his resignation letter Milner wrote that he was "experiencing an unhealthy culture and difficult work environment at the district due to poor communication."

In the first set of documents received by the newspaper is an email sent by the IWD office email address on Dec. 18 to IWD board Vice President Peter Szabadi informing



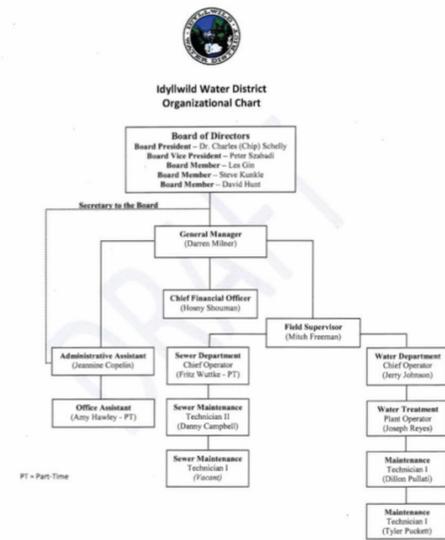
The organizational chart prior to former General Manager Darren Milner's restructuring.

DOCUMENT COURTESY OF THE IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT

him about a decision made by board President Dr. Charles Schelly.

"For your information — the attached was removed from the Nov. 20 board packet via Dr. Schelly on Nov. 13. Darren [Milner] never returned to work.

"Please take this into consideration as you discuss item



The organizational chart presented by former General Manager Darren Milner. Milner resigned from his position days after the organizational chart was pulled from the November 2019 board agenda/packet, according to an internal district email.

number five [board's review and approval of organizational chart] on tonight's agenda."

The attached document referenced in the email is an organizational chart and memo (documents included with this story).

See IWD, page A5

# Family finance matters at PCWD

By MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ  
EDITOR

District money paid to family members or companies owned by family members of the general manager were approved at the May 20 Pine Cove Water District (PCWD) Board of Directors meeting.

The newspaper asked for the bids related to "repairs for heater and new duct work in shop" and "install new filter rack with upgraded filter" listed in the March financial statement, as both items were completed by Idyllwild Heating and Air Conditioning in the total amount of \$1,866.07. The company is owned by the brother of PCWD's General Manager Jerry Holdlber.

The newspaper submitted a public records request on May 20 for the bids related to both items. The district had 10 calendar days to respond. A response

was not received by press time on May 27. The newspaper did receive the following response on Friday, May 29: "There are no documents responsive to your request."

In addition, a payment of \$250 was made to Jocelyn Holdlber, niece of the general manager by marriage, to sterilize and disinfect the office.

The newspaper reported after the last PCWD board meeting that PCWD Board Member Vicki Jakubac had voted to approve expenditures, including a payment to SoCal Propane of which her husband is a part-owner. According to the California Federal Political Practices Commission, the vote would be a conflict of interest.

Jakubac decided to recuse herself from the approval of the expenditures going forward beginning with the May meeting (approved both March and April) due to the potential conflict of

interest even though the district's legal counsel, in a statement read by Board President Robert Hewitt, said it is not a conflict of interest. The district's attorney is Brad Neufeld of Varner & Brandt.

The newspaper also requested all receipts for expenditures made for transportation and travel by the district for FY 2019/20. The district has \$18,000 allocated for transportation and travel and has spent \$14,237 as of March 31. The same amount is allocated for the proposed FY 2020/21 budget.

In the proposed FY 2020/21 budget, the Fern Valley Water District has \$1,500 allocated for the same expenditure item. The newspaper requested the receipts from PCWD to see what contributes to such a high amount compared to another district.

Copies of the receipts were received on Monday, June 1, and the newspaper will report on those in the near future.

Pine Cove Water District Budget 2020/2021 Resolution #550		
	2019-2020 BUDGET	2020-2021 BUDGET
<b>SUMMARY</b>		
TOTAL INCOME	1,050,000	1,108,000
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Service & Supplies	260,000	292,000
Salaries & Benefits	550,000	600,000
Improvements	148,000	103,000
Equipment & Loan Payments	52,000	63,000
TOTAL EXPENSES:	1,010,000	1,058,000
To Reserves		50,000
	1,010,000	1,108,000
IMPROVEMENT RESERVES	100,000	100,000
LOAN & GRANT RESERVE	25,000	25,000
CONTINGENCIES	20,000	20,000
GENERAL RESERVE	180,000	180,000

The summary of the district's proposed FY 2020/21 budget.

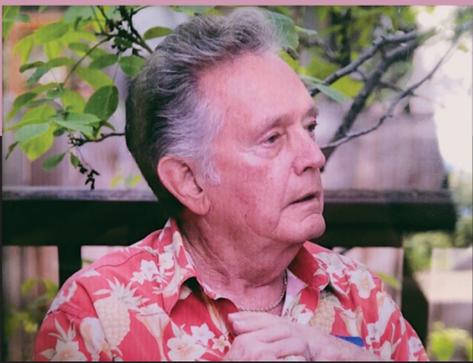
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# Tribute to Our Jim Palmer

12/06/1937 to 05/14/2020

On May 14, 2020, Idyllwild lost a truly iconic member of our town with Jim's passing. He passed with no pain and was surrounded by his husband/life partner of 23 years and several close friends. We all knew him for his infectious laugh, his ability to yarn a good tail, and his willingness to always give a lending ear to anyone who crossed his path. He will be sorely missed by all of us whose lives he touched. The following are "goodbye letters" from his family, all from the heart and all for us to enjoy. There will be a life celebration, but due to COVID-19, a date will be announced as soon as this is possible. In the meantime, a Gofundme account has been set up to help the family with financial realities that they are having to deal with. It's a hard time for them, so please feel free to go to <https://www.gofundme.com/> and in the upper left corner, go to "search," then type in Jim Palmer Idyllwild, CA. Also know that, given Jim was an avid animal lover, any remaining funds will be donated to our local ARF organization.

To be loved by so many is truly a sign of a successful man. . . such is our Jim Palmer.



When I think of my Grandpa I think of his old spice scent and his worn leather jacket. But more so I think about his passion for nature, animals, and for those he loved. My grandpa, much like my mom, can talk to anyone about anything and make them feel loved. That is a unique gift that I always so admired and one I hope to display someday. I have always bonded with my grandpa Jim the most when we were in nature or with horses. There is something truly breathtaking about horses that always left us bonded in awe. I have always admired nature for its beauty and I think a large part of my love for it came from my grandpa. I am always humbled and amazed by the beauty of the world and in the seemingly small things like a flower in bloom. I choose to still see all the amazing things that I know my grandpa is admiring from above, but I also will now see him through it. In a small patch of flowers, in horses running, or in a painted sky. All of these things remind me of my grandpa and I'm glad I get to see him in little ways everyday. I wish I could get one more hug with a trace of his old spice scent, one more conversation, one more I love you, but even though I won't get those again for a while I will get to feel his presence everyday and see reminders all around me.

I miss you so much already and can't wait to see you again,  
Love, Courtney

Jim (I called him Jimmy) was my younger brother. During our childhood days in Torrance, California, we were so very blessed to have had a family who loved each other deeply. Jim was born December 6, 1937 in Torrance Memorial Hospital, Torrance, California, and entered kindergarten at the age of 5, and at age of 11, he entered Jr. High School and graduated from Torrance High School in 1955. After graduating from high school, he went to work for Edison for 10 years, then decided to begin the process of learning the Real Estate Business. He loved pets (especially dogs) and enjoyed being a farmer. While getting his feet wet in the Real Estate Business, and while living in Hemet, Ca. for a few years, Jim decided that he would enjoy being a part-time farmer. Jim had a couple of cows, a horse, pigs, chickens and turkeys. He would get up at 4 AM to milk the cows prior to going to work. After living in Hemet for a few years, and resigning his job at Edison, Jim moved to Idyllwild and purchased and managed a restaurant. After leaving the restaurant business, Jim then decided to place all of his efforts into the Real Estate business. Selling Real Estate was his love in life. He assisted people in the buying and selling of homes for over 41 years. Jim enjoyed meeting and working with people throughout Idyllwild and from other parts of California. He made many friends over his 41 years in Idyllwild (be they buyers, sellers, foreigners, restaurant and hotel folks, look-a-bees, etc.). Jim was one of the most highly respected and ethical Real Estate agents I have ever known (and I have met many). Until the day Jim passed to the Lord, we communicated by phone almost every day... we were most definitely "loving brothers". Jim, Spiros and I spent many Christmases together in Idyllwild, and loved every minute of that precious time. I will deeply miss my little brother every day for the rest of my life. God Bless you Jimmy, you are much better off up there in Heaven with the rest of our family and friends than any of us down here on earth.

Composed By Ed Palmer

## Goodbye, Dad

In Loving Memory of Jim Palmer

I received Spiros' call at 2:15 a.m. on Friday May 15th. Dad (Jim Palmer) had passed at 11:53 on Thursday, May 14th. The brain aneurysm took him within several hours, and he died without suffering any pain. Myself, my husband, and the kids didn't get the chance to say our goodbyes.

As I sat in the morning to write this article over my cup of tea, 14 or 15 squawking geese came flying overhead. They came from the east, heading west toward the Oregon coast and out toward the eventual sunset. It was almost as if Dad was saying his goodbye's to me.

James Lee Palmer was born and raised in Torrance, California. He was never much of a city slicker, which is why he became known as, "Mr. Real Estate" in Idyllwild, California for 41 years. I learned that Dad had even popped into the office that very afternoon, mentioning to Dora how he "couldn't wait to return to work, he was so bored being at home." He was 82, but he still enjoyed both real estate and life on "The Hill."

To know my Dad was to like him, and for most, love him. Dad knew no strangers and could talk anyone's ear off whether they liked it or not. He also had a true love for people, nature and animals (horses and dogs in particular). I am happy to say that those three attributes, which were some of his strongest, will continue to live on in myself and his two grandkids (Nathan and Courtney Smith).

My father's fun-loving and outgoing spirit never left him at any point in his life. On one recent trip, my Dad and I visited a country saloon in Sisters, Oregon. My Dad loved to square dance when he was younger, but I suspected that those days were behind him. When we walked into the bar, they were playing some classic country music. I thought we would grab a seat near the back so that it would be a bit quieter, but Dad surprised me by insisting that we need to head towards one of the closest tables near the dance floor to enjoy ourselves. After grabbing a bite to eat, Dad coaxed me onto the dance floor, where we danced the night away, laughing and loving every moment of it. He was 80 years old at the time.

My Dad was officially married to Spiros Groubos for only six short years. However, they were lovingly together for over 23 years. They celebrated their wedding day on a Friday the 13th January 2014. Despite the bad reputation Friday the 13th has as a day of misfortune, that is certainly not the case in theirs or our lives. Their unity and love for each other displayed that they were two of the luckiest men alive. This fortune extended outside of their relationship. In fact, our household also holds Friday the 13th as a special day. My husband Greg was born on Friday 13th, 1967. Anyone who had the opportunity to have known these two were impacted by them and knew they enjoyed life

and experienced and lived it well.

One of my favorite childhood memories as a little girl, was while living on Dad's favorite farm on the outskirts of Hemet. Dad would take me out to feed my pony Pepper and the other farm animals. I was too small to be of much help, but he still asked me to come along every night. I would stand on the gate and watch him as he made his rounds, and slowly but surely the sky would turn from a blue to a bright pink. Whenever the sunset was particularly pink and stunning, Dad would always come over to me and say, "there it is again, a beautiful Kimberly sunset." Once the feeding was done, we would sit and watch the sun fade behind the mountains and trees. To this day, pink is still one of my favorite colors.

Besides being survived by many many Idyllwild friends, Dad is survived by his elder brother Ed Palmer, his husband Spiros, myself, his son Doug, the mother of his children Sandy Jackson, his two grandchildren Nathan and Courtney and his wonderful pup-Miss Daisy. We're planning to have a Celebration of Life for Dad, (Jim) somewhere in Idyllwild once the COVID-19 situation has been lifted. That date and location is still TBD. Please look for an announcement in July or Aug.

Spiros and I believed that instead of any flowers or gifts, Dad would have preferred any money, or donations be made to the local animal shelter, ARF.

Some beloved community members have established a "Go-FundMe," in Jim's honor, aiming to help cover his pending Idyllwild "Celebration of Life," residual medical expenses and if possible also help support; ARF (his favorite local animal shelter).

Otherwise, please share his stories, memories and kindness with each other. That is truly how our passed loved ones are remembered and live on, leaving their true legacies in the hearts and souls of others.

Like the iconic rock of Idyllwild, Tahquitz Peak, (his favorite landmark)... hopefully, prayerfully, whenever you glance up at her... Jim Palmer will be remembered, looking over his and your beautiful, unique mountain town called Idyllwild.

Dad (Jim), you will be missed immensely! Your memories live on in our hearts.

I LOVE YOU DADDY aka: "POPS"  
Kimberly, Kate (Palmer)



# The Town Crier office relocation is complete; still items for sale

By JACK CLARK  
CO-PUBLISHER

The Town Crier office is now centrally located immediately next to Idyllwild Pharmacy and is open for usual Town Crier business by phone at 951-659-2145.

Specialty job printing is available (flyers, 11x17 posters, menus, business cards, etc.). Call the office or email [mandy@towncrier.com](mailto:mandy@towncrier.com) to arrange for the drop-off and

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pick-up details. If you need just a few copies made, we suggest Idyllwild Pharmacy next door or Miss Sunshine's General Store across the parking lot.

For you businesses and organizations wishing to let the public know you are back in business, and how, please ask for Lisa for display ads (with and without photos) in the Town Crier newspaper, the Explore Idyllwild Directory, the Explore Idyllwild Map and the Idyllwild Phone Book. Ask for Mandy for the Service Directory, classified ads, and legal notices.

For news tips ask for Melissa or Jenny. Letters to the editor can reach Melissa by email ([melissa@towncrier.com](mailto:melissa@towncrier.com)) or they can be slipped under the center (or over the top) of the door to our office.

We still have several vintage wooden office desks, including a draftsman/artist desk that features an adjustable tilting top and lots of large-sized shelving. We also have a tall wooden bookcase, a glass display shelving system and many other office items including a multi-station phone system, all marked down for quick sale. Contact Becky at [becky@towncrier.com](mailto:becky@towncrier.com) to see photos of these items.

We feel that, since Town Crier Members are doing their part by supporting their local newspaper, the Town Crier needs to do its part by economizing as much as possible. The office move, which is now complete, will allow us to do this and to serve our Hill community from a more accessible, central location.

Thanks to everyone — Members, readers and advertisers — for your support!



Owen Zorn, right, helped organize a protest in support of Black Lives Matter that started at 5 p.m. in the center of town Monday. The peaceful protest lasted about 45 minutes. Law enforcement was across the street while the protest occurred. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery prepared for the worst on Monday afternoon, boarding up windows in case of looters. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

## How to get a letter published

The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions.

- Letters should be concise and to the point.
- They should be no longer than 400 words.
- Letters must be typewritten, double-spaced and in upper/lower case (not in all caps).
- Letters must be identified with the author's name, address and weekday phone number.
- The Town Crier will not publish

- “thank-you” letters, consumer complaints, form letters, clippings from other publications or poetry.
- Political letters during election season cost 10 cents per word but are not accepted the week before an election.
- We reserve the right to reject or edit letters for length, taste, clarity or frequency of submission.

- Only one letter per author within a 28-day period.
- Letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Town Crier staff.
- Letters may be submitted by e-mail to [melissa@towncrier.com](mailto:melissa@towncrier.com).
- The deadline is 10 a.m. Monday.

## I now understand the term ‘white privilege’

By NICOLE SMITH-MERRY  
CONTRIBUTED

As a clinical mental health therapist, I do not typically share my personal opinions on societal issues. However, it is time for each individual to dig deep within themselves and speak out on the oppressiveness of our nation.

Many years ago, I did not understand the term “white privilege” and quite frankly, I took offense to it. I grew up in a lower-income neighborhood in Baltimore City. There were families just like mine, but I worked extremely hard for everything I had. I still work extremely hard for what I have. No one gave me anything freely.

However, what has changed is my perception and our reality. I took a good hard look within myself, but more importantly, I took a look at those around me. I became educated, spoke to people, and stopped being naive to matters that I felt did not concern me.

According to Oxford Languages, white privilege is the, “inherent advantages possessed by a white person on the basis of their race in a society characterized by racial inequality and injustice.”

It is my belief that the word advantages are what stirs the pot for some of the Caucasian population. However, as a white woman, I know that I can commit a crime of a violent nature and survive my encounter with the police.

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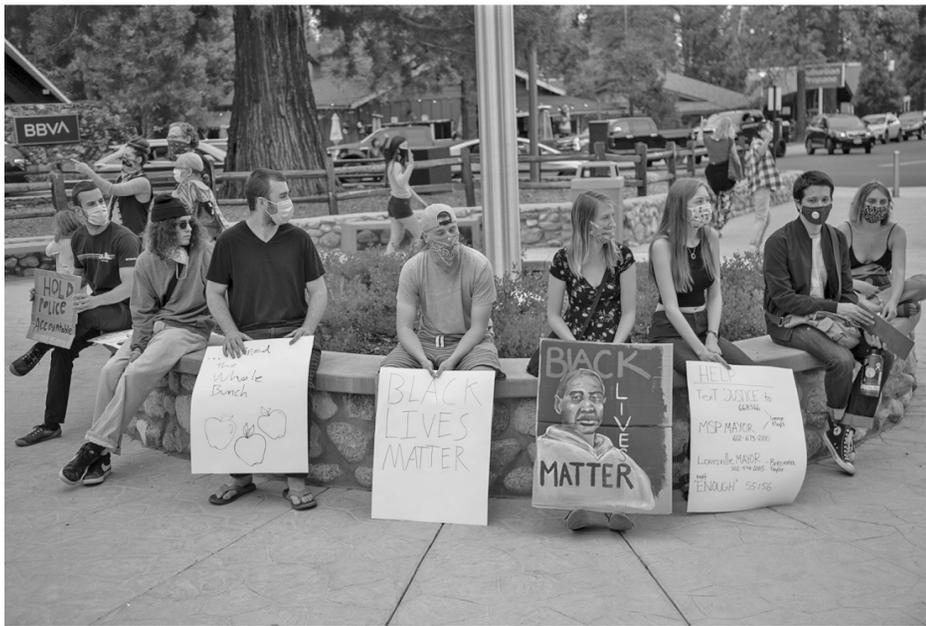
Sadly, those are the advantages of being white. It is unimaginable to me to have to raise children and teach them how to stay safe in America based on race. So, imagine having to do that for decades upon decades with the realization that nothing is changing or may even be worse at times.

I now, and have for many years, understand the term white privilege. I hate every part of what it means because there should be no privilege. I can no longer sit quietly without voicing an opinion, not only because I hold a title as a clinician in the mental health field, but because I am a human being that is disgusted by what is happening in this great nation. White privilege does concern me and it should concern everyone. Lift your voices and be heard to stop the injustices that are being faced throughout America.

Nicole Smith-Merry, MS, LPC, NCC is a licensed professional counselor in Pennsylvania.



Protesters take to the streets Monday afternoon chanting and exercising their rights. Even some kids joined in with their parents. PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Protesters hold signs in support of Black Lives Matter in IdyPark on Monday afternoon. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

### Team Rubicon to do no-cost defensible space fire abatement

Team Rubicon has received preliminary approval to begin the no-cost defensible space fire abatement for the elderly and low-income June 20-27. Call or email the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (MCFSC) office at 951-659-6208 or [info@mcfs.org](mailto:info@mcfs.org). Deadline to apply is June 12. The Woodies, the MCFSC volunteer group, will do the preliminary footwork to meet with the property owners, identify the needs and devise a plan before Team Rubicon arrives.

### Some safety tips from Cal Fire:

1. Don't mow or trim dry grass on windy days.
  2. Never pull your vehicle over in dry grass.
  3. Target shoot only in approved areas, use lead ammunition only, and never shoot at metal objects.
  4. Check and obey burn bans.
  5. Ensure campfires are allowed, and if so, be sure to extinguish them completely.
  6. Report any suspicious activities to prevent arson.
  7. If you see something — say something.
- To learn how you can be prepared for wildfires and evacuation steps, visit [ReadyForWildfire.org](http://ReadyForWildfire.org) and [preventwildfireca.org](http://preventwildfireca.org).



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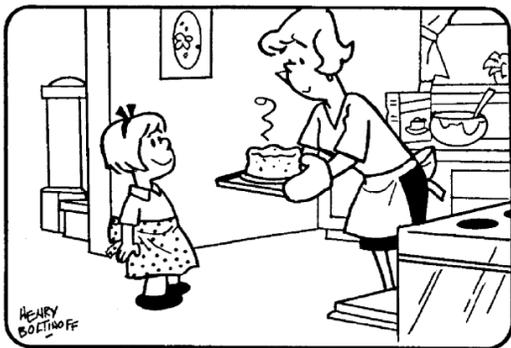
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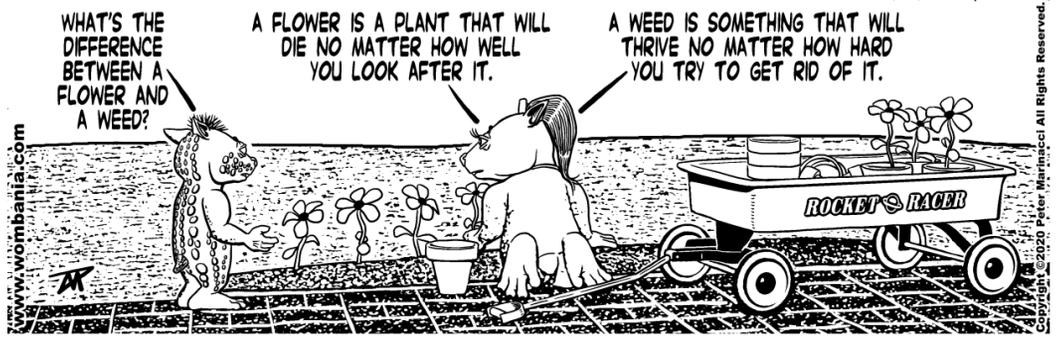
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by PETER MARINACCI



Foundation launches campaign to bridge digital divide in Riverside County

By RIVERSIDE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION CONTRIBUTED

While students and parents anxiously await the reopening of public schools in Riverside County, educators are adapting and modifying plans for what school will look like in the “new normal” — including a likelihood that some elements of remote learning will still be necessary.

However, without additional support, many students will have the virtual doors to school closed on them without regular, reliable access to a computer or the internet.

The Riverside County Office of Education Foundation (RCOEF) is aiming to bridge that digital divide with the launch of “All For One,” a giving campaign centered on raising funds to provide computers, tablets and/or mobile hotspot devices to students and families to ensure consistent access to remote learning.

Challenges preventing universal access to remote learning include:

- Families with multiple students sharing one computer to access online learning resources.
- Geographic diversity of Riverside County where families live outside of areas with traditional internet services.

“Our hope is that organizations and community leaders will consider ways they can help bridge the divide between students and their access to reaching their dreams through education,” said RCOEF Director Ed Lewis. “RCOEF has primarily been focused on raising funds for scholarships and implementing programs that complement core RCOE services and the ‘All For One’ campaign furthers that focus on this immediate need faced by students and families in our school districts.”

More information on supporting the “All For One” campaign is available from the RCOE Foundation at <http://www.rcoe.us/foundation/all-for-one>.



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[www.rcoe.us/foundation/all-for-one](http://www.rcoe.us/foundation/all-for-one).

Tax-deductible donations can be made on the RCOEF “All For One” GoFundMe page at [charity.gofundme.com/all-for-one-rcoe](http://charity.gofundme.com/all-for-one-rcoe) or by sending a check to Riverside County Office of Education Foundation, Attention: Ed Lewis, Foundation Director, P.O. Box 868, Riverside, CA 92502-0868.



Electrical poles were being maintained on Highway 243 behind the Idyllwild Water District. Workers high above the ground in cherry pickers with headlamps worked late into the night on Friday through Saturday morning.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

IWD

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The memo reads: “Additions/Changes: 1. Remove Michael Creighton from General Manager position and replace with Darren Milner to fill general manager position. 2. Add Mitch Freeman to fill vacant field supervisor position, formerly Chief Operations Officer position. 3. Remove Jeanine Copelin [Olsen], administrative assistant/board secretary, and Amy Hawley, office assistant, to report directly to Darren Milner, general manager. Hosny Shouman, chief financial officer, will continue to report directly to the general manager (Darren Milner) but will have no direct report.” Copelin [Olsen] and Hawley reported to Shouman in the prior organizational chart.

Milner wrote the following regarding background: “Due to the employee turnover and new employee additions, there have been several different organizational charts

created, modified, revised and updated at the district.”

The memo presented with item 5 on the Dec. 18 agenda, about a month after Milner’s resignation, reads: “With the recent addition of the position of field supervisor, as well as the decision of an acting general manager, there is a need to establish a clear and easily understood chain of command within the organization.” Freeman became the district’s acting general manager on Nov. 27 during a special board meeting. This chart has Copelin [Olsen] and Hawley reporting to Shouman, the chief financial officer.

Hawley no longer works for the district and it is unclear if Copelin [Olsen] is still employed by IWD.

The newspaper asked Schelly in an email on May 29 regarding the removal of the organizational chart from the November 2019 board meeting.

The newspaper did not receive a response by

IAOR donates funds to Idyllwild HELP Center

By IDYLLWILD ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS CONTRIBUTED

The Coronavirus has been devastating for our community from an economic standpoint. Many individuals and families have been placed out of work with hardship hitting many in our community.

The Idyllwild HELP Center is a vital resource in providing assistance to people in our community. As many families rely on the compassionate work of the HELP Center, the Idyllwild Association of Realtors (IAOR) appreciates all they do and is making a donation of \$1,300 to help restock the food pantry and serve those in our town.

A \$500 portion of the donation came from IAOR affiliate Brad Hamby, of Performance Plumbing.

press time.

The newspaper still has not received the following documents:

- A log of any and all payments made to every employee and board member for the last three years.
- A list of all current employees and interns for the district and their salary.

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The IAOR is a professional association comprising of over 50 local residents working in the field of real estate. Our brokers, agents and affiliates love Idyllwild and look forward to getting back to normal.

If you would like more information about this topic, please contact Melissa Pursley at 951-659-2345 or [OfficeIAOR@gmail.com](mailto:OfficeIAOR@gmail.com).

Social Security scam

Getting calls saying your Social Security number is suspended because of suspicious activity? It’s a scam. The Social Security Administration (SSA) is not calling you, no matter what your caller ID says.

Medicare does not give out DNA kits

The FTC is getting reports that callers claiming to be from Medicare are asking people for their Medicare numbers, Social Security numbers, and other personal information in exchange for DNA testing kits. The callers might say the test is a free way to get early diagnoses for diseases like cancer, or just that it’s a free test, so why not take it? But the truth is, Medicare does not market DNA testing kits to the general public. This is yet another government imposter scam.

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- Occasional offers, special to our Members, from local businesses.
- Invitations to what we hope will be the annual Town Crier Membership Party.
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Send completed form to Idyllwild Town Crier, P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

Checks may be made payable to “Idyllwild Town Crier.” | You may contact Halie at 951-659-2145 or [halie@towncrier.com](mailto:halie@towncrier.com).



# NEWS OF RECORD

## Cal Fire

Cal Fire recently responded to the following calls by station.

### Station 23 - Pine Cove

- May 26 — Traumatic injuries, 1:20 p.m.
- May 27 — Headache, 12:13 p.m.
- May 27 — Vegetation fire, 5:09 p.m.
- May 28 — Unknown medical, 10 p.m.
- May 28 — Power lines down, 2:06 p.m.
- May 28 — Commercial vehicle fire, 4:48 p.m.
- May 29 — Public assist, 3:12 p.m.
- May 29 — Public assist, 7:12 p.m.
- May 30 — Back pain, 8:26 a.m.
- May 30 — Traffic collision, 7:13 p.m.

### Station 30 - Pinyon

- May 26 — Traffic collision, 12:48 a.m.
- May 26 — Cardiac arrest, 6:27 a.m.
- May 26 — Vegetation fire, 4:18 p.m.
- May 26 — Traffic collision, 9:18 p.m.
- May 27 — Vegetation fire, 5:09 p.m.
- May 28 — Unknown medical, 11:02 a.m.
- May 28 — Traffic collision, 4:24 p.m.
- May 28 — Traffic collision, 5:56 p.m.
- May 30 — Fire - assist, 1:55 p.m.
- May 30 — Vegetation fire, 3:28 p.m.
- May 31 — Self-inflicted gun shot wound, 11:11 a.m.

### Station 53 - Garner Valley

- May 25 — Traumatic injuries, 11:19 a.m.
- May 25 — Traffic collision, 8:42 p.m.
- May 26 — Cardiac arrest, 6:27 a.m.
- May 26 — Traffic collision, 8:29 p.m.
- May 27 — Vegetation fire, 5:09 p.m.
- May 27 — Traffic collision, 7:42 p.m.
- May 28 — Traffic collision, 4:24 p.m.
- May 28 — Commercial vehicle fire, 4:48 p.m.
- May 28 — Chest pain, 9:40 p.m.
- May 29 — Commercial vehicle fire, 6:26 a.m.

### Station 63 - Poppet Flats

- May 25 — Falls, 2:26 a.m.
- May 25 — Public assist, 2:50 p.m.
- May 25 — Vegetation fire, 4:27 p.m.
- May 25 — Falls, 7:04 p.m.
- May 26 — Sick person,

8:59 a.m.

- May 26 — Stroke, 10:42 a.m.
- May 26 — Power lines down, 12:43 p.m.
- May 27 — Seizures, 8:05 a.m.
- May 27 — Traffic collision, 11:38 a.m.
- May 27 — Cardiac arrest, 9:14 p.m.
- May 27 — Traffic collision, 9:43 p.m.
- May 28 — Intentional overdose, 1:23 a.m.
- May 28 — Sick person, 4:32 p.m.
- May 28 — Fainting, 5:08 p.m.
- May 28 — Traumatic injuries, 6:17 p.m.
- May 28 — Unknown medical, 7:27 p.m.
- May 29 — Fire, false alarm, 3:46 p.m.
- May 29 — Outside fire, 8:10 p.m.
- May 30 — Breathing problems, 7:22 p.m.
- May 31 — Fire - false alarm, 5:13 p.m.
- May 31 — Fire - false alarm, 7:19 p.m.

## Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Sunday to Saturday, May 24 to May 30.

### Idyllwild

- May 24 — Alarm call, 12:12 a.m. 26000 block of Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 24 — Vehicle theft, 7:16 a.m. 55000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- May 24 — Vicious dog, 9:24 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Suicide threat, 8:31 a.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Assist other department, 11:18 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Public disturbance, 2:30 p.m. 54000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Fraud, 4:07 p.m. West Ridge Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Fraud, 4:46 p.m. West Ridge Rd. Unfounded.
- May 25 — Alarm call, 8:53 p.m. 26000 block of Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Alarm call, 11:55 p.m. 26000 block of Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Alarm call, 11:56 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Alarm call, 12:11 a.m. Scenic Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Alarm call, 9:42 a.m. 54000 block of N. Cir-



Submit listings and changes to melissa@towncrier.com. All events are subject to last-minute changes.

**Note: Some events, meetings and office hours may be canceled or modified due to precautions being taken to limit the spread of COVID-19.**

### Wednesday, June 3

- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Al-Anon weekly Zoom online meeting, 5 p.m. Join meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86652637379>.
- Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Highway 243.

### Thursday, June 4

- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Idyllwild Rotary Anns, 11:30 a.m. Call 951-659-2951 for more information.
- Feeding America, 1-2 p.m. Calvary Chapel Mountain Center, 29430 High-

way 243, Mountain Center.

- Idyllwild Community Meditation, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for information.
- Free community Mat Pilates classes, 9 a.m. Call 760-200-5757 for information & directions.
- Women's Writing Group with fellow writers, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, call 951-659-2523
- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Quiet Skies Idyllwild, 1-2 p.m. Zoom meeting, Dial-in number: 712-770-5505; access code: 203313#.
- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Idyllwild Rotary Anns, 11:30 a.m. Call 951-659-2951 for more information.
- Feeding America, 1-2 p.m. Calvary Chapel Mountain Center, 29430 Highway 243.
- Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Highway 243.
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr. 951-659-3355.
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr. 951-659-3355.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., Sat. and Sun. (Mon. holidays.) Group tours by appt. 951-659-2717.
- Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 951-659-2110.
- 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. and Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat. 951-659-2300.
- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thurs.-Mon. (Closed New Year's Day, Easter, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day); Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Wed. and Fri.
- Idyllwild Ranger Station, 54270 Pine Crest Ave., 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fri.-Tues. 909-382-2921.
- Pine Cove Water Dis-

trict board meeting, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.

- Course in Miracles discussion, 11 a.m. Call Karin at 951-973-8651 for location.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 951-659-8321.
- Al-Anon weekly Zoom online meeting, 5 p.m. Join meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86652637379>.

### Monday, June 8

- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation meeting, 10 a.m. Zoom meeting at <https://idyllwildarts.zoom.us/j/99853541352>. The meeting ID is 998 5354 1352. You can also dial 855-880-1246 or 877-853-5257. Meeting ID is the same as above.
- Al-Anon weekly Zoom online meeting, 6:30 p.m. Join meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4111202127p-wd=R21lejhwLOR1enR-VOGVULzIQVmtGdz09>.

### Tuesday, June 9

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board meeting, 9:30 a.m. Call 951-659-6208 for information.
- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 951-659-8321.
- Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, call 951-659-2523.
- Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, call 951-659-2523.

### Wednesday, June 10

- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Pine Cove Water Dis-

block of Pine Cove Rd. Handled by deputy.

- May 29 — Noise complaint, 6:13 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 30 — Noise complaint, 6:33 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

### Poppet Flats

- May 24 — Vandalism, 7:53 p.m. Cryer Dr. Report taken.
- May 25 — Suspicious vehicle, 3:33 a.m. Address undefined. Report taken.

### San Bernardino National Forest

- May 24 — Off-road vehi-

## Helpful COVID-19 links for Idyllwild business owners

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## Need an electric vehicle charging station?

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### What you should know

In September of 2017, Equifax announced a data breach that exposed the personal information of 147 million people. Under a settlement filed today, Equifax agreed to spend up to \$425 million to help people affected by the data breach. If you were affected by the Equifax breach, you can't file a claim just yet. That's coming. But you can sign up for FTC email alerts about the settlement at [ftc.gov/Equifax](https://ftc.gov/Equifax). Not sure that you were affected? The breach claims site will have a tool to let you check. Sign up for an FTC email update to find out when that tool is up and running.

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    - Step 2: Plan to be safe by creating a disaster plan and deciding how you will communicate in an emergency.
    - Step 3: Organize disaster supplies in convenient locations.
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  - During:
    - Step 5: Drop, cover and hold on when the earth shakes.
    - Step 6: Improve safety after earthquakes by evacuating if necessary, helping the injured and preventing further injuries or damage.
  - After:
    - Step 7: Restore daily life by reconnecting with others, repairing damage and rebuilding community.
- For more information, visit <http://earthquakecountry.org>.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as IDYDOLOGY at 54905 N. Circle Drive Idyllwild CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 4192 Idyllwild CA, 92549. IDYDOLOGY, LLC, 54905 N. Circle Drive Idyllwild, CA 92549. The List State of Limited Liability Company is CA.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

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: CARMEL BENSON MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 29, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202005412

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 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

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

PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

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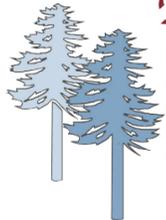
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# On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment



B SECTION

IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., JUNE 4, 2020

## Made in Idyllwild promotes local artists

By JENNY KIRCHNER  
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Idyllwild is a pretty special place. The community is made up of eclectic people with a vast array of artistic talents and personalities.

Diana Orr, co-owner of Wax Apothecary, wanted to help bring all of these talents into one place — Made in Idyllwild.

Made in Idyllwild is an ever-growing group of people providing their products that — you guessed it — are made only in Idyllwild in different packages for the masses to purchase.

"I reached out to some locals whose businesses and stores weren't doing well and said, 'Let's make a little group with a little bit of each of our products and sell it as a bundle,'" Orr explained. "It's online-focused, so during this pandemic, there's no danger of endangering people."

As of now, Orr is the lead organizer, helping to guide, maintain and grow the group. However, she is hoping it will become more of a self-sustaining group.

"I felt like it was a way we could all stay busy, collaborate safely and keep our businesses going," Orr said. "Or at the very least, keep morale up."

Creating one-of-a-kind bundles with products only made here in Idyllwild is unique.

The group created a Mother's Day gift set. They released a Manifest Your Dreams gift set for the 2020 graduates around the world that's available for purchase now. A Father's Day gift set has been released.

The Manifest Your Dreams gift set includes a med-



The Manifest Your Dreams 2020 graduation gift set. PHOTO BY MARISSA QUINTANILLA

itation tea by Wildland Organics, a natural crystal point soul tag necklace by I AM Adornments, a Manifest Your Dreams Meditation tealight candle set of two candles by Wax Apothecary. The gift set is packaged in a golden "Be Well - Live Light" tin by Wildland Organics. This is just an example of what you can expect from these locally made gift sets.

"If we let it grow organically, it can be a really strong and beautiful collaboration between everyone. I want it to be accessible and open, and something where everyone wants to be engaged and involved." — Diana Orr

where everyone wants to be engaged and involved. Eventually, the dream is to reach a larger audience in big stores, allowing more business to come to the creators while promoting the community.

If you're interested in being a part of Made in Idyllwild or would like to purchase a gift set, you can visit the website at [www.madeinidyllwild.com](http://www.madeinidyllwild.com).

## Community gifts made for you

By ART ALLIANCE OF IDYLLWILD  
CONTRIBUTED

What is the "I made this for you" community art project? The Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI) thought it was time to cheer up the community.

After weeks of lockdown and social distancing, AAI's artists stepped up to create some unique art gifts. These gifts have been distributed throughout the town and the AAI will continue to do so until they all have new homes.

The gift give-away started on May 4 when handing

People receiving food parcels could then be surprised with an artistic memento.

out art kits to local families.

The AAI set up tables in front of the Idyllwild Post Office and accosted unsuspecting locals with these colorful tokens of creativity and kindness. It continued to local businesses, individuals and to those organizing food banks. People receiving food parcels could then be surprised with an artistic memento.

Generously taking part in this community art project are artists Donna Elliot (flower cards), Martha Lumia (felted bookmarks and bowls), Lois Sheppard (cards and books), Kathy Harmon-Luber (postcard sets), Ken Luber (books), Scott Finnell (fused glass crosses), Karen Johnston (sun catchers), Norma Jean Webb (sun catchers)

See Gifts, page B6



Felted bowls created by Martha Lumia  
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"I made this for you"

Community Art Project



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The IdyllBeast made an appearance at La Casita Saturday afternoon, greeting the customers with a wave and posing for photos. Of course, he had his face covering on. PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Live Bait performed for locals and visitors alike at the gazebo in town Saturday afternoon. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



At left: Idyllwild musicians Lenny Muscarella and Ron Wright were at the gazebo in the middle of town Sunday afternoon entertaining visitors. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Many came out to Town Hall during their first Farmers Market in weeks on Sunday. Produce, flowers and handmade goods were available for purchase. Due to these unprecedented times, the Idyllwild Community Center didn't charge vendors their normal fee. PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Long-time Idyllwild Resident Cathy Mauge celebrated her 79th birthday on June 1. Friends did a drive-by birthday celebration, honking and waving. Many gave the gift that everyone has been lacking — toilet paper. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Friends also received a small present from Cathy Mauge — homemade cupcakes. Each cupcake had a different photo of Cathy from all different times of her life. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

### Confidential teen crisis line

A California Youth Crisis Line is available toll-free 24/7 to assist youth, teens and their families in crisis or in a time of need. Calls are confidential and trained staff can provide appropriate referrals to assist

with issues such as family problems, relationship violence, runaway, homelessness, depression, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, suicide and more. The crisis line is 1-800-843-5200.

## Eight garden tools for beginners

BY METRO CREATIVE EDITORIAL CONTRIBUTED

The right tool for the job is essential to working safely and efficiently. This is as true in the workplace as it is in the garden.

Novice gardeners may not know where to begin in regards to which tools they need. The following are eight items that can serve as a solid foundation for beginning gardeners.

1. Gloves: Your hands will be working hard, so it pays to protect them from calluses, blisters, splinters, insects and dirt. Look for water-resistant gloves that are also breathable.

2. Hand pruners: Hand pruners are essential for cutting branches, cleaning up shrubs, dead-heading flowers and various other tasks. Choose ergonomic, no-slip handles that will make work easier. Rust-resistant, non-stick blades also are handy.

3. Wheelbarrow: A wheelbarrow can transport gear to garden beds or tote dirt, leaves, rocks and other materials around the landscape. A good wheelbarrow is strong but light enough to maneuver when full.

4. Loppers: Long-handled loppers will fit the bill for

*Visit a garden center and speak with a professional about other tools that can be added to the mix.*

thick branches. The long handles provide leverage to cut through branches an inch or more in diameter.

5. Hand trowel: A hand trowel is a handy tool that lets you dig holes or unearth weeds. While shopping for a trowel, consider getting a hand-held garden fork, which can aerate soil and cut through roots.

6. Hose/watering can: Keeping gardens hydrated is part of ensuring their health. That makes a hose and a watering can two invaluable tools to have around. Invest in a lightweight, expandable hose if storage space is at a premium. An adjustable nozzle will enable you to customize the water flow as needed. A watering can is an easy way to tote water to hard-to-reach pots and containers.

7. Garden kneeler: Gardeners often bend and kneel while working in the soil. That puts pressure on the back and knees. A comfortable garden kneeler with memory foam or one made from shock-absorbing material can reduce aches and pains.



Novice gardeners may not know where to begin in regards to which tools they need. PHOTO BY METRO CREATIVE EDITORIAL

8. Garden hoe: Garden hoes till soil, remove weeds and perform many other tasks. A garden hoe can be used along with a full-sized shovel, trowel and garden rake.

This list is just the tip of the garden tool iceberg. Visit a garden center and speak with a professional about other tools that can be added to the mix.

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### Quote of the Week

"Give light and people will find the way."

— Ella Baker

### Lost and Found

**LOST PET** (Dog or Cat). Call ARF, 659-1122. Also, you may call Living Free Animal Sanctuary at 659-4687 or Ramona Animal Haven at (951) 654-8002, 1230 S. State St., San Jacinto, CA 92583.

**Have you lost** your keys up here? Chrysler/Caterpillar? Chevy? Toyota? We have a pile of keys people have found and dropped off at the Town Crier. Come look!

### Announcements

**CRISISLINE**, 683-0829 or 1 (800) 339-7233. Alternatives to Domestic Violence (ADV) provides information, counseling and shelter services for battered women and their children.

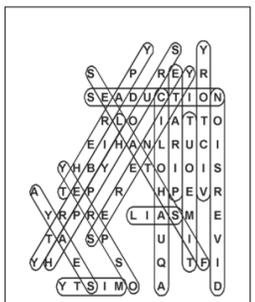
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Answers to Word Search (Puzzle on next page)

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Answers to Sudoku (Puzzle on next page)

### Websites

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### Help Wanted

**RIDES/RIDESHARING - Looking** for round trip rides from Pine Cove to Hemet on semiregular basis. Short hops or all day OK. (619) 715-2240. Will share gas. Maybe also to Palm Springs, Temecula, Riverside, San Diego, or LA.

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Answers to Crossword (Puzzle on next page)

### Help Wanted

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### Services

**Josh & Noah Whitney**  
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**Complete Tree Service**  
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**Cal King inner spring mattress, Kingsdown,** like new. \$495, cost over \$2200. Call 951-659-2239.

**Antique vanity/dresser.** 100+ years old, marble top, good condition. Pictures available upon request. Located in Pine Cove. Must pick up. \$250 or best offer. Call Frank (310) 614-5186.

**Five - 4"x4" redwood posts,** approx. 5' each. \$25. 951-659-2239

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**DONATE YOUR CAR, BOAT OR RV** to receive a major tax deduction. Help homeless pets. Local, IRS Recognized. Top Value Guaranteed. Free Estimate and Pick-up. LAPETSALIVE.ORG 1-833-772-2632 (Cal-SCAN)

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<b>Center entire ad:</b> \$1	

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2-inch ad (minimum size)	\$18.95
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**Root-Stone Lodge**  
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**CROSSWORD**

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**King Crossword**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Small plateaus
  - 6 Bamboo eaters
  - 12 Big commotion
  - 13 Old Roman tax
  - 14 Strengthen by heating and cooling
  - 15 Move a painting, maybe
  - 16 Medicinal amount
  - 17 Computer brand
  - 19 Chaps
  - 20 Nickelodeon's explorer
  - 22 Marley or Dylan
  - 24 Underwear with underwire
  - 27 Madams' mates
  - 29 Moth variety
  - 32 "The House That Ruth Built"
  - 35 Advantage
  - 36 Out of play
  - 37 List-ending
  - 38 Consume
  - 40 Williams or Warhol
  - 42 - -de-sac
  - 44 On pension: Abbr.
  - 46 Killer whale
  - 50 "I, Robot" author
  - 52 Passionate states
  - 54 Cookbook entry
  - 55 Lab monkey
  - 56 Merchant
  - 57 Apportioned
  - DOWN**
  - 1 Stereo forerunner
  - 2 Billions of years
  - 3 Haste
  - 4 Miss. neighbor
  - 5 Not freelance
  - 6 Skin opening
  - 7 Bitter
  - 8 To the - degree
  - 9 Scotch-based
  - 10 Top-rated
  - 11 Autograph
  - 12 Possessed
  - 18 Parents' traveling accessory
  - 21 Sugar suffix
  - 23 Antiquated
  - 24 "See ya"
  - 25 "Awesome!"
  - 26 Sweet fortified wine
  - 28 Norm
  - 30 Eccentric
  - 31 HBO alternative
  - 33 Mauna -
  - 34 Toss in
  - 39 Figure of speech
  - 41 Mountain air?
  - 42 Shopper's aid
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  - 47 "Golden Girls" role
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**WORD SEARCH**

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- Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
- Aquaholic
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  - Sail
  - Therapy
  - Diversion
  - Misty
  - Sea Ya
  - Time Out
  - Fish Tales
  - Osprey
  - Seaduction
  - Victory
  - Happy Hours
  - Pirate
  - Serenity

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**HOROSCOPES**

June 2020 — Week 1

**March 21 – April 19**  
Still operating under a full head of self-esteem makes you want to tackle a matter you had shied away from. OK. But be sure to arm yourself with facts before you make a move.

**April 20 – May 20**  
That smart move you recently made caught the attention of a lot of people, including some with financial deals to offer. Use your Taurean wariness to check them out thoroughly.

**May 21 – June 21**  
Shyness might keep you from asking for more information on a potentially important matter. But your curiosity grows stronger by midweek and gives you the impetus for data-gathering.

**June 22 – July 22**  
Taking on too many tasks may not be the wise thing to do at this time. You might overspend both your physical and emotional energy reserves, and have to miss out on some upcoming events.

**July 23 – August 22**  
Try to keep your spending at an affordable level. Splurging now -- especially on credit -- could create a problem if your finances are too low for you to take advantage of a possible opportunity.

**August 23 – September 22**  
You might not approve of a colleague's behavior during much of the week. But don't play the judgmental Virgo card here. As always, check the facts before you assume the worst.

**September 23 – October 22**  
Coping with an old issue that has suddenly re-emerged could take a big toll on your emotional energies. Decide whether you really want to pursue the possibilities here.

**October 23 – November 21**  
For all your skill in keeping your secrets safe, you could be unwittingly letting one slip out by the way you're behaving in that new relationship. Are congratulations soon to be in order?

**November 22 – December 21**  
Good old-fashioned horse sense could help you get around those who unknowingly or deliberately put obstacles in your way. Ignore the confusion and follow your own lead.

**December 22 – January 19**  
A puzzling attitude change in a colleague from friendly to chilly might stem from a long-hidden resentment suddenly bubbling up. An open and honest talk should resolve the problem.

**January 20 – February 18**  
This week, many ever-generous Aquarians might find themselves feeling an acquisitive urge. If so, indulge it. You've earned the right to treat yourself to wonderful things.

**February 19 – March 20**  
Expect to get a lot of advice on how to go about implementing your plans. But once you've sorted it all out, you'll probably find that, once again, your way will be the best way.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

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**Weekly SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦**

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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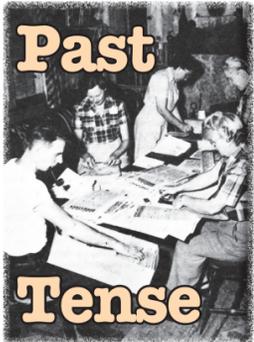
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**70 years ago - 1950**  
Ernie Maxwell reported that he had to get his long johns back out as June started with snow and cold weather.

**65 years ago - 1955**  
Idyllwild resident Dr. Marion Michael Null had been as busy as a bird dog since Davy Crockett became the man of the hour. He was the author of "The Forgotten Pioneer," an authentic biography of Davy published in 1954.

**60 years ago - 1960**  
Tahquitz Lake Golf

Club opened at Dutch Flat. About 200 golfers helped initiate the nine-hole course in a blind bogey tournament.

**55 years ago - 1965**  
All campgrounds were filled and some visitors slept beside roads as a record crowd enjoyed Memorial Day on the Hill.

**50 years ago - 1970**  
A Tahquitz Valley hiker became ill and was airlifted to a Hemet hospital after eating the leaves of corn lily, or false hellebore, a poisonous plant often mistaken for skunk cabbage.

**45 years ago - 1975**  
The Desert Sun School gave a summer home to two teens who had recently escaped Saigon on a military flight.

**40 years ago - 1980**  
A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held for Idyllwild's new down-

town office facility. Then dubbed "the Village Center Building," it is now known as "the Courtyard Building."

**35 years ago - 1985**  
The Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) announced that Fire Chief Bud Hunt would retire in August and interviews were being conducted for a new chief. Hunt started work with the local fire department as a volunteer in 1955.

**30 years ago - 1990**  
Representatives of the Pine Cove Property Owners Association were to recommend that the Hill Municipal Advisory Council appoint a committee to examine limiting the density of future development projects.

**25 years ago - 1995**  
Plans were being completed for the upcoming sixth-annual Idyllwild



The front page of the Town Crier celebrating its eighth anniversary, Nov. 6, 1953. This year, the Idyllwild Town Crier celebrates 75 years in November.

TOWN CRIER ARCHIVES

Lions Club Timber Festival.

**20 years ago - 2000**  
Veteran actor Orson Bean was the featured speaker at the Idyllwild

Arts Academy's graduation ceremony.

**15 years ago - 2005**  
The Idyllwild Community Recreation Council was preparing to make

its recreation management proposal to the Chamber of Commerce.

**10 years ago - 2010**  
The San Jacinto Ranger District was proposing to close unsafe mine shafts, and remove trash and vandalized camper shells from the Gold Shot Mine site. It was filed on by Carl and Albert Christiansen in 1918.

**5 years ago - 2015**  
Ambulance and emergency medical service rates were to increase in the Idyllwild Fire Protection District beginning July 1. IFPD commissioners unanimously approved a nearly 25% increase in the cost of an ambulance transport. Also, the per-mile cost would increase 18%.

**1 year ago - 2019**  
Soroptimist International of Idyllwild presented the third-annual Hilltop Comedy Night at the Rustic Theatre.

## Gifts

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and key chains), Carol Landry (paintings), Wayne Sheets (magnets), Chris Siems (cards and tea lights), Naomi Cohen (cards), Delphine Bordas (card sets), Doris Lombard (walking sticks), Joe Oakes (paintings), Paula King (assemblage art piece), Wax Apothecary (candles and soap) and Don Dietz (fused glass tray).

Such was the appeal of this project that several artists who live "off the Hill" also shared their talent and love of Idyllwild by sending art gifts.

Each gift has a branded "I made this for you" tag with the artist's name. In addition, the AAI commissioned Sasha Nicol, of The Spruce Moose, to make 100 bars of her natural and organic soap.

Helen Hixon at Mountain Pottery created 200 ceramic magnet hearts with "Idy" embossed on each one. These, too, are meant



Embossed ceramic hearts by Helen Hixon of Mountain Pottery.

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to spread joy throughout the community.

A final art gift given

away is planned for Friday, June 5 at the Idyllwild Post Office starting around 12:30 p.m.

The AAI is dedicated to inspiring artists, both young and old, as well as art lovers. Over the years, the AAI supported the Idyllwild School PTA smARTS program, home-school student art classes, artist workshops, exhibitions, student scholarships, the Courtyard Gallery and Visitors Center and the Art Walk & Wine Tasting.

The Painted Deer throughout Idyllwild is an art legacy that delights vis-

itors and locals alike.

Although events have been postponed due to the risk of spreading COVID-19, these will be rescheduled once it is safe to do so. For updated information on AAI events and plans, visit [www.artinidyllwild.org](http://www.artinidyllwild.org) or the AAI's Facebook page.

Right: Art Alliance of Idyllwild commissioned Sasha Nicol, of The Spruce Moose, to make 100 bars of her natural and organic soap.  
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A candle and soap gift set by Wax Apothecary.  
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## CREATURE CORNER

BY JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," ARF cats talked about mani-pedis for local pets.

**Lulu:** I am getting tired of this quietness here.

**Zeus:** We all are. I don't think we will see much activity until Sadie's Clinic.

**Whiskers:** And that's not until the 10th!

**Lulu:** But it's gonna be very busy! Lots of dogs and cats have been waiting for vaccinations and tests.

**Whiskers:** I really hope pet guardians have made their appointments. There will be no room for walk-ins.

**Zeus:** And I bet it will be the same for the nail trim clinic on June 30.

**Pepper:** Meanwhile, we all just hang out here, hoping a loving human will decide to take us home forever.

**Sadie:** It would be a little livelier in here if we had some dogs. They are always entertaining!

**Pepper:** No kidding! ARF has been getting dogs, but they have been adopted within days. We haven't really had any chance of getting to know them.

**Zeus:** I think things will change pretty soon.

**Pepper:** Wouldn't that be so nice?

**Zeus:** But no one at ARF is rushing. They say "better safe than sorry" whenever we encourage them to go back to normal.

**Pepper:** Whatever normal is.

**Bear:** I hope humans realize that things are different except for the mosquitos that share heartworm with dogs and those nasty diseases that look for unvaccinated pets.

**Pepper:** And those same humans may bring their beloved pets to Sadie's Clinic to get necessary protection. I'm so glad the clinic is back so dogs and cats may be safe and healthy.

**Sadie:** Well put, Pepper.

Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of "Days of Our Nine Lives" each week. Please stop in to say hello to the entire adoptable cast at the ARF House, 26890 Highway 243 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Sundays, or by appointment Monday-Friday by calling 951-659-1122.

Creature Corner is sponsored by Carole Herman & Sandi Mathers.



Lulu



Zeus



Pepper

## Local makes University of Utah's Dean's List



Shaylin Bu, of Idyllwild, whose major is listed as Modern Dance BFA and Communication BA, was named to University of Utah's Spring 2020 Dean's List.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher in at least 12 graded credit hours during any one term.

Have a Mountain Folk story? Email it to Melissa Diaz Hernandez at [melissa@towncrier.com](mailto:melissa@towncrier.com).

## Churches & Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

**Calvary Chapel Mountain Center**  
29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center, Ca. 92561  
Sunday Worship Service 10:00 am  
Nursery Care, Children's & Youth Ministries  
Weekly Bible Studies & Home Groups  
Church Office 951-659-0097

**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

**Idyllwild Community Church**  
54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935  
Sunday Worship - 9:30 a.m. • Rev. Dr. Robert Mitchell  
Celebration: 5th grade & under during worship ~ Child care available •  
Wednesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:15 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.

**First Church of Christ Scientist, Idyllwild**  
25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday meeting, 7 p.m.  
Christian Science Reading Room, in church building, open to the public, Wednesday, 6-7 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-Noon.

**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

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