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Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award winner **Stephanie Yost**

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

Stephanie Yost wins EMax award

By **MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ**
EDITOR

This year's Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award goes to Stephanie Yost.

"I am humbled and honored by this community recognition," said Yost. "As president of the Idyllwild Community Center, there is much we've been able to accomplish, but many more important projects and programs still lie ahead. Since coming to Idyllwild 33 years ago, I've loved the mountain communities and I look forward to more opportunities to help however I can."

Yost has been vital to the mountain's youth activities, concerts (pre-COVID), day care and continuing the Low-income Commodity Distribution. In addition, she orchestrated a new home for the weekly Farmers Market. Yost can be seen in the community handing out masks and answering businesses' questions about reopening. She is a member of Soroptimist International of Idyllwild and serves as a docent for the Idyllwild Area Historical Society.

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

Nominations for the annual Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award come from community members. Once nominations are received, the Town Crier staff selects the top three. The community then votes for the winner. Winners' names are engraved on a plaque in the Town Crier office.

The nine previous awardees were the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council in 2011, Dawn Sonnier in 2012, Robert Priefer in 2013, Annamaria Padula in 2014, Wendy Read in 2015, Robert Hewitt and Janice Murasko in 2016, Jay Muldar in 2017, Dave and Loie Butterfield in 2018 and Phyllis Mueller in 2019.

Information is scarce, public's help still needed

By **JENNY KIRCHNER**
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

With no updates on the four missing people, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department (RCSD) is still asking for the public's assistance.

The Town Crier contacted RCSD media information bureau Friday morning for any updates on the cases of missing people Roy Prifogle, Melissa Lane, Dia Abrams and Rosario Garcia.

RCSD Correctional Sergeant Deanna Pecoraro responded Monday morning writing, "As for any updated information on our missing persons, we do not have any at this time. As we continue to move forward, we are searching and looking for anyone who may have information in regards to their whereabouts."

While RCSD is asking for the public's help in locating all of these missing people, new information has not been released that could potentially help the public search.

"We understand the concerns that the public has and truly value their want to locate these people," Pecoraro wrote. "We also hope they understand as in any incident or investigation, not all information is releasable and or available for the public."

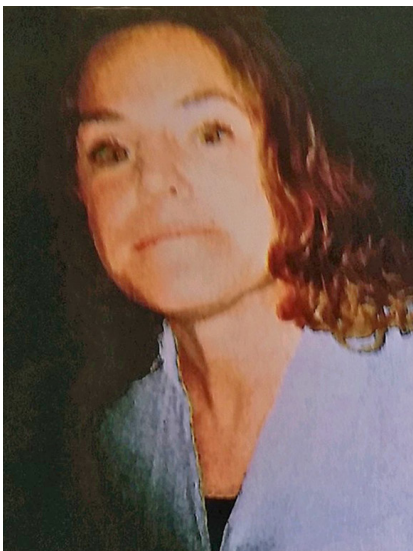
While the media information bureau has not released or confirmed any information, Captain Leonard Purvis, of the Hemet Station, has been helpful in responding to questions.

On Sept. 10, a RCSD SUV was spotted hauling an off-road vehicle near Highway 243 and Saunders Meadow Road.

Pecoraro said they may have been in the area for training and or some type of search. They didn't have any specifics and no incidents were reported during that timeframe.

According to Purvis, "They were conducting follow-up searches for Melissa Lane."

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Melissa Lane, 41, was last seen June 15.

PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON



Roy Prifogle

PHOTO COURTESY OF KENDRA JOHNSON

Candidates answer the Town Crier's questions

By **TOWN CRIER STAFF**

The Town Crier contacted the candidates running for Idyllwild Fire Protection District board of commissioners, State Assembly and Congress. Our questions and their responses are below. Not all candidates responded or met the deadline. Responses are printed in the order they were received. Responses from Lake Hemet Municipal Water District board candidates will be published in a future edition.

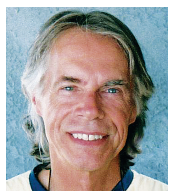
Questions: Idyllwild Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners. Candidates: Dennis Fogle (appointed incumbent), Dan Messina (appointed incumbent) and Christina Reitz. Messina did not respond. The three candidates are running for two seats.


1. Is the emergency siren a good idea and worth the investment? Why or why not?

Christina Reitz: Yes, the siren is a good idea, but should be part of a broader, joint-emergency alert effort between IFPD and the county. Riverside County is responsible for managing emergency alerting and evacuation and needs to be included. The plan needs to include ALL of the communities on the Hill from Poppet Flats/Twin Pines to Pinyon, linked to the proposed ribbon network of WNKI. Mountain Disaster Preparedness has proposed to take the lead on public education. Multiple layers of emergency alerting are needed because as we have learned, not just from the Mountain and Cranston fires here on our own mountain, but also

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COVID-19 LOCAL UPDATE: County still in red tier

By MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ
EDITOR

The county moved from purple to red Sept. 22 in the state's tier system.

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors will meet Tuesday, Oct. 6 to consider other options to reopen the county.

The county announced last week "All remaining personal care services may return indoors, including nail salons, tattoo shops, massage services and esthetician services. As a reminder, hair salons and barber shops were returned indoors under the previous purple tier.

"In addition, restaurants, places of worship, movie theaters, as well as museums, zoos and aquariums may resume indoor operations up to 25% capacity. Gyms may resume indoors up to 10% capacity and indoor

shopping malls up to 50% capacity."

As of press time, there are still a total of 22 reported COVID-19 cases since the outbreak and one death reported for the area of Idyllwild-Pine Cove, according to the Riverside University Health System – Public Health (RUHS) website.

Twenty-one of the 22 people have recovered.

As of press time on Sept. 29, Riverside County has 59,173 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There are 1,216 deaths related to COVID-19 and 54,150 people have recovered. There are 125 individuals being hospitalized and of those 33 are in the intensive care unit (ICU). The county's positivity rate is 4.8%. The current adjusted case rate per 100,000 is 6.7.

As of press time on Sept. 22, Riverside County has 57,482 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There are 1,172 deaths related to COVID-19 and 52,776 people have recovered. There are 146 individuals being hospitalized and of those 42 are in the ICU.

As of press time on Sept. 15, Riverside County had 55,986 confirmed COVID-19 cases. There were 1,125 deaths related to COVID-19 and 51,032 people had recovered. There were 155 individuals being hospitalized and of those 49 were in the ICU.

To date, 646,560 people have been tested for

COVID-19 in Riverside County, according to RUHS. The age range with the most confirmed cases is 18- to 39-year-olds. The two demographics with the highest number of cases are Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic/Latino.

The county is urging residents and visitors to cover their face, keep 6 feet of distance and wash their hands.

Riverside County announced a COVID-19 business grant program. The \$10,000-grant for small businesses (less than 50 employees) is on a first-come first-served basis. Applications are available at www.RivCoBizHelp.org and will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Oct. 30. Funds may be used for payroll/employee retention, working capital, purchase of personal protective equipment, rent or mortgage payments and paying vendor invoices.

Previously, the Riverside County board of supervisors unanimously approved using \$4 million in CARES Act funding for the Pathways to Employment program which will recruit 500 unemployed adults impacted by the pandemic to receive work training and mentoring. Participants will receive a stipend of \$20 per hour, training and mentoring from nonprofit and government partners and supportive services including transportation, clothing, counseling and technological assistance.

For more information, call 951-955-1161.

COVID-19 updates & resources

COVID-19 testing

COVID-19 testing is available for those with or without symptoms. Testing is free and available for everyone.

Residents can visit www.rivcoph.org/coronavirus/testing to schedule an appointment online or call 800-945-6171 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. to make an appointment over the phone for drive-up testing. Looking for a shorter wait time when calling to make an appointment? The county suggests calling between the hours of 5 and 10 p.m.

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

Schools update

The Hemet Unified School District (HUSD) began the school year Aug. 17 fully online. Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) students began their 2020/21 school year Aug. 31 with distance learning.

IAA students return to campus Oct. 1. Please see IAA's letter to the community on page A3 for more information.

Riverside County public and private schools, kindergarten through sixth grade, may apply for a waiver

to conduct in-person education, the county announced Friday, Aug. 21. Once a county is in the red tier for at least two weeks, schools can reopen without a waiver.

HUSD will continue with the on-line learning model through Nov. 6.

The district's website outlines why Nov. 6 was selected, "There were several reasons why November 6th was selected. First, the constant changing of conditions related to COVID-19 creates an environment where students could be transitioned frequently between in-person, hybrid, and online learning models. The solution to overcome the risk of instability and lack of continuity is to remain in an online learning model. Second, November 6 is the ending of a grading period for our middle and high schools." The date is subject to change.

For more information visit <https://www.hemetusd.org/apps/pages/parentcommunications>.

HUSD provides mobile hot spots. However, it realized that was not always adequate in the areas of Anza and Idyllwild. In response, the district stationed two buses that distribute a Wi-Fi signal — one at Idyllwild Community Playground and the other

at Camp Maranatha — from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. HUSD partnered with the Anza Community Center to bring internet access to students.

Reopening

Gov. Gavin Newsom outlined a color-coded, tiered system that will use two metrics to measure the coronavirus: spread rate and test positivity percentage.

The tiers are designated by four colors: purple (widespread), red (substantial), orange (moderate) and yellow (minimal with the lowest restrictions).

Counties must remain at each tier for a minimum of 21 days. The metrics are tracked at www.COVID19.ca.gov. Riverside County moved to the red tier on Sept. 22.

For more information on state guidance, visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance/>. Visit www.RivCoBiz.org for modifications and other measures encouraged by the county to keep employees, customers and clients safe.

Cooling center

Riverside County opened cooling

centers on June 1 with modifications to accommodate coronavirus safety guidelines. For a list of cooling center locations, visit 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.

HUSD serves students supper, lunch and breakfast at no charge for students enrolled at Hamilton School, Hamilton High School, Idyllwild School, Academy of Innovation and Hemet High. Meal kits are distributed Mondays and Thursdays from 2:30 to 4 p.m. and will contain breakfast, lunch and supper for three days.

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).

Local entities update:

Art Walk & Wine Tasting: The event has been canceled.

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

Idyllwild Area Historical Society: This year's Home Tour is canceled.

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

Idyllwild Fire Protection District: The front office is open by appointment only.

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

Idyllwild Library: As of press time, the library is open for express service only. The express service hours for Idyllwild Library are Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to noon. 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>.

Idyllwild Pharmacy: The pharmacy is open. A face mask is required. 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. Call the day you need a ride. 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. If you are utilizing the shuttle, a face mask and hand sanitation is required. Off-Hill transportation is for medical appointments only.

Idyllwild Town Crier: The office is open to the public by telephone only. For advertising information, contact Lisa Streeter (lisa@towncrier.com) or Mandy Johnson (mandy@towncrier.com) and for editorial questions contact Melissa Diaz Hernandez (melissa@towncrier.com). Newspapers will be available to purchase in front of the new Town Crier office at 54391 Village Center Drive Suite #5, Idyllwild Pharmacy, Mountain Center and Pine Cove markets and at Village and Fairway markets, Mountain Top Liquor, the Idyllwild Chevron and Shell stations, and Lake Hemet Market.

Idyllwild Water District: The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Pine Cove Water District: The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. A mask is required.

Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival: This was scheduled for Feb. 12 to 21, 2021, and has been canceled.

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.

State parks: Visit www.parks.ca.gov/FlattenTheCurve for updated information.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

COVID-19 BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM



ELIGIBLE USE OF FUNDS

- ✓ Payroll/Employee retention
- ✓ Working capital
- ✓ Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment
- ✓ Rent or mortgage payments
- ✓ Paying vendor invoices



INELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

- ✓ Public entities
- ✓ Passive income real estate investments
- ✓ New/Startup Businesses with less than one year of operating history (as of 3/1/20)
- ✓ Cannabis-related
- ✓ Casinos/gambling establishments
- ✓ Adult entertainment related

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Apply at www.RivCoBizHelp.org

Grants are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications will be accepted beginning on September 16th until October 30th at 5pm.

ELIGIBLE BUSINESSES

- ✓ NEW - Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Recipients (\$75,000 or less)
- ✓ Located in Riverside County: if within a city must have a current business license/registration
- ✓ Private For-Profit
- ✓ Small businesses with less than 50 employees
- ✓ Sole Proprietors that do not have employees
- ✓ Businesses that received the SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan or advance
- ✓ Must have experienced a financial hardship as a result of COVID-19
- ✓ Operating for a minimum of one-year as of March 1, 2020

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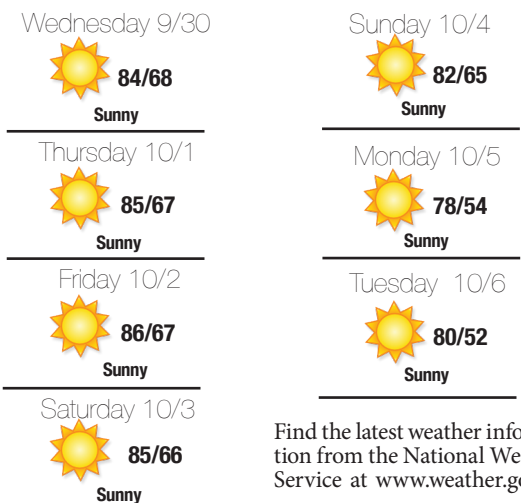
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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service



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

Idyllwild this year					
Date	High	Low	M	S	
09/22	80	50	0.00	x	
09/23	83	50	0.00	x	
09/24	83	50	0.00	x	
09/25	84	45	0.00	x	
09/26	85	46	0.00	x	
09/27	88	50	0.00	x	
09/28	91	61	0.00	x	

Idyllwild last year					
Date	High	Low	M	S	
09/22	x	x	0.00	0.0	
09/23	76	52	0.00	0.0	
09/24	82	50	0.00	0.0	
09/25	81	52	0.00	0.0	
09/26	68	55	0.00	0.0	
09/27	59	53	0.00	0.0	
09/28	62	43	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 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.



Clear skies on the Hill on Tuesday as temperatures hovered in the 80s throughout the day.

PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR

TC’s index to California ballot propositions, part 1

By JACK CLARK
CO-PUBLISHER & GENERAL COUNSEL

There are 12 propositions on California’s ballot, Props. 14-25. If you are a registered voter in California, you probably recently received the “Official Voter Information Guide” (guide) in the mail from the California Secretary of State. It is 111 pages long.

The Town Crier thought it might be useful for voters to see the various propositions laid out in skeletal form, i.e., just a general index with the official phrase as to what each proposition is about, and then who is for and against it, just as they are listed in the official guide.

Assuming that much interests you, you can go on to read the guide for the official title and summary, the legislative analyst’s analysis, the arguments for and against, and even the full text of the proposed law.

So, the following is the Town Crier’s index to the first six: Propositions 14-19.

PROP. 14 – Authorizes bonds continuing stem cell research.

FOR PROP. 14: Antoni Ribas, M.D., Ph.D., President, American Association of Cancer Research; Cynthia E. Muñoz, Ph.D., MPH, President, American Diabetes Association-Los Angeles; Robert A. Harrington, M.D., Chairman, Department of Medicine, Stanford University; Todd Sherer, Ph.D., CEO, Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research; Lawrence Goldstein, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor Shiley-Marcos Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center, University of California, San Diego; Tracy Grikscheit, M.D., Chief of Pediatric Surgery, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles

AGAINST PROP. 14: Vincent Fortanasce, M.D., Patrick James Baggot, M.D.

MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 14 can be found at pages 8 and 16-21 of the guide. For a full text of Prop. 14, see pages 89-109.

PROP. 15 – Increases funding sources for public schools, community colleges and local government services by changing tax assessment of commercial and industrial property.

FOR PROP. 15: Tony Thurmond, California Superintendent of Public Instruction; Jacqueline Martinez, CEO Latino Community Foundation; Sasha Cuttler, Public Health Nurse, San Francisco Department of Public Health; E. Toby Boyd, President, California Teachers Association; Carol Moon Godberg, President, League of Women Voters; Tara Lynn Gray, CEO, Fresno Metro Black Chamber of Commerce

AGAINST PROP. 15: Jon Coupal, President, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association; Alice Huffman, President, California State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); Betty Jo Toccoli, President, California Small Business Association; Robert Gutierrez, President, Cal

See Props, page A6

Don’t forget to lock those doors

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

In the last few weeks, Idyllwild and surrounding areas have experienced an increase in vehicle thefts.

Riverside County Sheriff’s Department Correctional Sergeant Deanna Pecoraro said, “There have been approximately four vehicle thefts in which the vehicles have been recovered and returned.”


While there wasn’t any official information on how many of the vehicles were locked or un-

locked, some Idyllwild residents tend to leave their vehicles unlocked due to a feeling of safety in comparison to the city.

“All the vehicles were stolen from the Idyllwild area,” Pecoraro said. “Two arrests have been made in connection with these vehicle thefts.”

Russell Leggett, 29 of Idyllwild, and Brian Utley, 29 of Idyllwild, were both arrested by deputies for their involvement with the stolen vehicles.

While we are generally in a safe community, it doesn’t mean we are exempt from issues with crime. It’s best to lock those doors to be safe.



FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

NOTICE OF VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a vacancy has occurred on the Board of Directors of the Fern Valley Water District as a result of the resignation of Trischa Clark.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT appointment will be made as prescribed by Government Code Section 1780 by the Board of Directors of said District.

The Board of Directors intends to fill the vacancy by appointment at their Regular Board meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 16, 2020 at the District office, 55790 South Circle Drive, Idyllwild, California.

INTERESTED FERN VALLEY LAND OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR AN APPLICATION TO BE INCLUDED WITH THEIR LETTER OF INTEREST AND RESUME TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 9, 2020. THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 55790 SOUTH CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA OR YOU CAN SUBMIT BY MAIL TO PO BOX 3039, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

Date: September 8, 2020

By: Jessica Priefer, District Secretary

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Dear Idyllwild Community,

In just a few days our students will begin their journeys to return to campus. We are grateful to our incredible faculty and staff who have worked tirelessly to ensure that proper health and safety protocols as well as a hybrid learning plan will be in place when our students return. Parents, too, have faced many obstacles to support their children’s enrollment in Idyllwild Arts. We appreciate the effort that everyone has made to be present virtually and in person.

At this time, Riverside County officials have downgraded the COVID-19 spread level to the red tier, indicating that schools will be able to assemble with modified in-person instruction soon. Idyllwild Arts students will begin returning to campus on October 1. Most classes, which began online on August 31, will remain online once students return. However, some classes in the arts disciplines could go to in-person instruction two weeks after the students come back.

Many boarding schools have begun welcoming students back. In all instances, reopening campus to residential students has been successful, with most schools reporting no incidents of positive COVID-19 cases on campus. This is due in large part to keeping very strict protocols (social distancing, wearing masks), restricting campus access, and providing regular health screenings for students, staff, and faculty.

IAA’s return-to-campus plan adheres to recommended federal, state, and regional guidelines and in many instances exceeds these guidelines. Before IAA students and employees return to campus, they have been asked to provide proof that they have tested negative for COVID-19 within two weeks of their arrival on campus. When they arrive, students will receive health screenings at airports before boarding buses for campus. Students who are brought directly to campus by their parents will receive a health screening when they arrive on campus. Afterward, all students and employees will receive daily health screenings including temperature checks. To ensure a level of protection, students will not be allowed to go into town during the week or on weekends.

Our highest priorities are keeping our community healthy and safe throughout this pandemic and providing the best education possible despite our current challenges. We are grateful to IAF’s Medical Advisory Panel, school leadership, and the Board of Trustees who have contributed to our overall plan.

We are eager to welcome our students back to campus and to witness the incredible talent that results from passion and hard work. Although performances and exhibits will be virtual, we hope that you will gather with us online to continue to support the growth and development of our young citizen artists who will join us from around the world.

Warm regards,



Pamela Jordan
President, Idyllwild Arts Foundation



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 with-in 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 and must include "Letter to the Editor" in the subject line.
- The deadline is 10 a.m. Monday.

Kudos for the Wi-Fi buses

DEAREDDITOR
Spent a much-needed break at Lake Hemet Wednesday, Sept. 23. The Wi-Fi bus from Hemet Unified School District was there in the parking lot next to the store.
Kudos for helping our "Hill Kids" with online classes. Keep up the good work!

Terry Cobb
Hemet



Waiting lists for home-school programs as parents grow weary of distance learning

By DIANA LAMBERT
EdSource

San Juan Unified in Sacramento had 38 students in its home-school program in March, when the state closed school campuses because of the spread of Covid-19. Now, it has more than 700.
The home-schooling program (<https://www.sanjuan.edu/homeschool>), which offers an alternative to the distance learning instruction currently prescribed by the school district, was started five years ago after some parents expressed an interest in teaching their children from home. It serves students in transitional kindergarten through eighth grade.
The district was fortunate to have the program in place when the pandemic hit, said Trent Allen, San Juan Unified's director of community relations. The program is a rarity in traditional school districts in California. While students learn at home and parents direct instruction, the district offers curriculum and teaching guidance.
"One of the lessons learned during Corona is that every situation is going to be very unique for our families, and being able to provide options is key," Allen said. "There is a way to meet the individual needs of families."

The district receives the same basic funding for home-school children that it gets for other district children.
Some charter schools are dedicated to exclusively offering home-school programs. Programs like these and others have seen a surge of interest since campuses closed in the spring.
Some working parents want schools that offer them more flexibility than what is often offered through distance learning at traditional schools, so that their children don't have to be online at prescribed times. Other parents want to ensure their children don't have to switch back and forth between in-person and virtual learning as virus rates in their communities rise and fall.
As of Sept. 22, 3.6 million California children were enrolled in 555 school districts that were ineligible to reopen school campuses because of high Covid-19 infection rates in their counties. These children and many more, who are in schools that have not reopened even though they are eligible, are in distance learning.
Home-school operators, in most cases charter schools, interviewed by EdSource overwhelmingly said parents are coming to them looking for flexibility and control over everything from their children's schedules to the amount of time they spend in front of a computer.
In a home-schooling program, parents take on the primary role of teacher, determining the schedule, planning lessons and delivering instruction. Parents can also determine how much, if any, of the instruction is completed online. The school offers a curriculum and an advisor-

"A big fear for parents is to have kids in front of screens most of the day." CORE Butte Charter School Superintendent Mary Cox

teacher for support.
In California (<https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ps/homeschool.asp>), a parent can file a private affidavit to start their own private school to home-school their children. They can also choose a home study program through a regular or charter public school, or they can enroll in a private school that offers home-schooling options. The most popular option is enrolling in a charter school program, which offers a variety of supports, including curriculum and advising teachers.
Most home-school programs cover the cost of supplies, classes or extracurricular activities up to a specified amount. The amount varies greatly and depends on which school the child attends. Some charter schools will cover costs up to as much as \$3,200 a year per student, but others pay less than \$2,000.
Parents are struggling to juggle their jobs and help their children, especially younger ones, with their schoolwork, said Sandra Butorac, manager of the home-school program at San Juan Unified. They want to be able to do schoolwork on weekends, in the evenings or whenever they want, she said.
Other parents want control over when their child returns to in-person instruction.
"All it would take would be one or two kids to perhaps shut down a classroom or a wing or an entire school," Butorac said. "And it's that flipping and flopping back and forth that they're worried about. They are more concerned about that disruption to their child's year."
Some appeal of the San Juan program may be that the district has promised that students can return to their former schools whenever they wish. To ensure a seamless transition, the curriculum used by the home-school is closely aligned with that of the district's traditional schools, Butorac said.
Safety is one of the concerns that drove Lauren White to pull her children out of Mill Valley School District, just north of San Francisco, in the spring and move to the town of Auburn, in the foothills of Placer County.
"Our school couldn't even control the lice problem in the school, and you are telling me they are going to control the Covid problem," White said. "I don't think so. You can't social distance kids in a classroom situation."
Three of White's five children, ages seven, six and five, are attending Alta Vista Community Charter School in Auburn, which recently started a home-school program (<https://altavista.auburn.k12.ca.us/Academics/Alta-Vista-Virtual-Academy/index.html>). She also has 2-year-old twins.
"We are so lucky we got in," White said. She did not want to risk enrolling her children in a school that might later open for in-person instruction before she believed it was safe.
White also was disappointed by the distance learning experience she and her children had in the Mill Valley School District in the spring. White had been overwhelmed by the number of emails teachers sent her with guidance and assignments on distance learning for her children. She said she received about 25 emails every day, each with multiple links.
"I wouldn't be able to get through that," she said. "It is insane."
White also had to be prepared to help her children log on to video conference calls with little notice. "You have to jump on calls whenever they (teachers) want you to," White said. "I have five kids, I can't do that."
She said a charter home-school program offers her family the curriculum and support without the stress of following a strict schedule and worrying about whether schools will reopen safely.
Margaret Fortune, president of the California Charter Schools Association, said she has seen an increase in the number of parents moving their children to charter schools that have experience with remote instruction. Many of those are home-school programs.
Clarksville (<https://clarksvillecharter-school.org/>), Feather River (<https://featherrivercharter.org/>), Winship Community (<https://winshipcommunity.org/>) and Lake View (<https://lakeviewcharter-school.org/>) charter schools collectively have 4,000 students on their waiting lists. The home-school charter schools didn't have waiting lists before the pandemic.
Together, the four schools, which don't have physical campuses, have about 2,800 students who live in a widespread area — from Sacramento County to the south to Tehama County to the north, and from Mendocino County to the west to Alpine County to the east.
Recruiting students in previous years had been a challenge, said Jenell Sherman, executive director of Clarksville and Feather River charter schools. Not this year.
"Right now, it's crazy," she said. "Everyone wants to come because I think they feel like 'I'm going to be home-schooling anyway. I'd rather be with people that have experienced it or offer funding for online classes and activities and things like that.'"

Even though charter schools are tuition-free, tax-funded public schools, a few parents over the last few months have offered to pay to get their children in one of the schools, Sherman said.
The schools are giving priority to siblings of students already enrolled, but can't accommodate all of them, said Julie Haycock, executive director of Winship Community School and Lake View Charter School.
Many charter schools have had to turn new students away due to a new state law that funds school districts this year based on last year's attendance. It was revised Sept. 1 to provide additional funds for new students enrolling in schools that are classroom-based, but not for those without physical campuses.
The law provides districts with stable funding, even if there are attendance fluctuations, as schools move in and out of distance learning. It is meant to help districts like Calaveras Unified School District, which lost 120 of its 2,600 students this school year.
The parents of some of those students enrolled them in home-school programs or in established online school programs this school year. Others enrolled in neighboring school districts that had reopened, although most of those have since shut down, said Mark Campbell, superintendent of Calaveras Unified.
The district serves several small foothill communities, a little more than an hour southeast of Sacramento.
CORE Butte (<https://corebutte.org/>) Charter School had already signed up more students than they had budgeted for when they learned state lawmakers had frozen funding. The school now has 930 students, 70 more than last year, said Superintendent Mary Cox. But its funding is the same as it was last year.
The charter school has had 900 inquiries from parents interested in having their children attend the Chico-based school. The school's K-8 home-school program, which has never had a waitlist, now has 440 children waiting to enroll. The high school, which has a home-school program and a site-based program, has 120 students waiting.
The parents say they want more control over how their children are educated, including the time they spend on a computer, Cox said.
"A big fear for parents is to have kids in front of screens most of the day," Cox said.
Other families live in places with insufficient internet access to support distance learning. Parents are begging school officials to enroll their children, Cox said.
"It's sad," she said. "We can't even recommend they go elsewhere. All the schools like mine are packed."
Diana Lambert is based in Sacramento and among other topics writes about teachers and teaching in California.

Explore Idyllwild Directories and Maps

Attention local businesses: Contact the Town Crier office located at 54391 Village Center Drive Suite #5 to arrange to pick up your Explore Idyllwild Directories and Maps. For safe pickup, please call ahead to 951-659-2145 on Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Helpful COVID-19 links for Idyllwild business owners

UC Riverside: <https://techpartnerships.ucr.edu/covid19>
Orange County/Inland Empire SBDC Network: ociesmallbusiness.org/resource/covid-19
Riverside County resources for businesses: www.RivCoBizHelp.org

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 Ready-ForWildfire.org and preventwildfire.ca.org.



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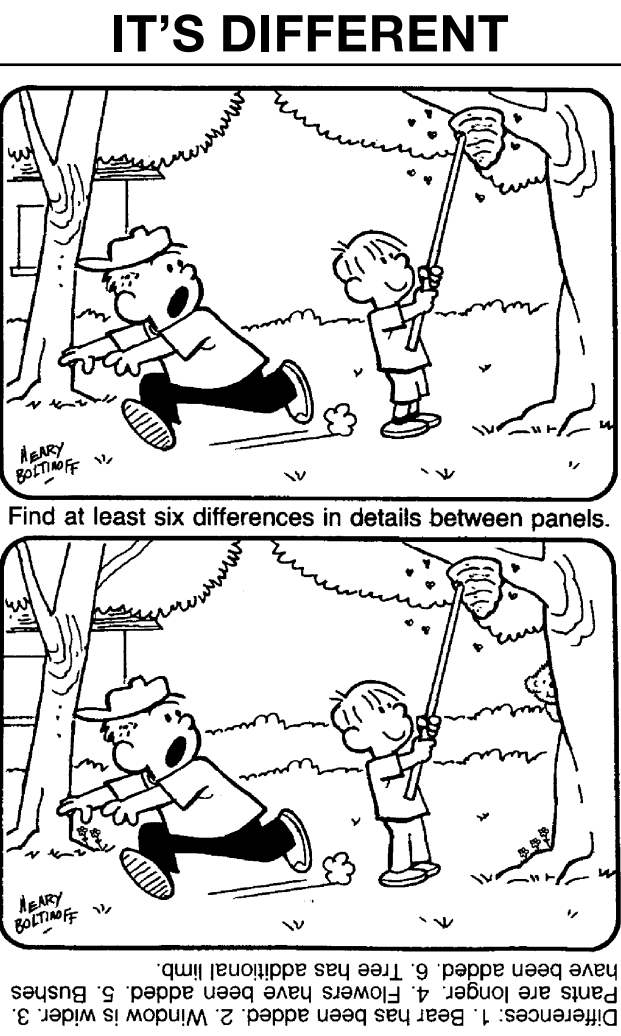
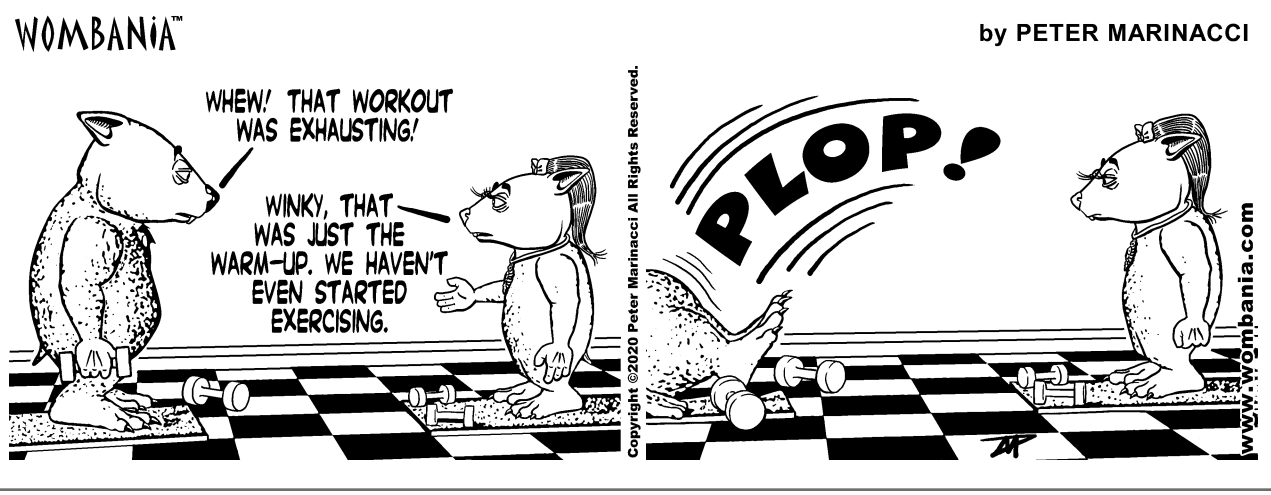
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Information for Nov. 3 election

By RIVERSIDE COUNTY CONTRIBUTED

Approximately 1,179,959 voter information guides started going out to Riverside County voters Sept. 24 for the presidential general election on Nov. 3.

Material in the voter information guide will help voters make informed choices. Voters may mark their selections on the voter information guide and use it to help them complete their official ballot. The Registrar of Voters recommends that voters review the materials before casting an official ballot. If voters do not receive an information guide in the mail, it will be available online at www.voteinfo.net starting Monday, Oct. 5. Voters also may call the registrar's office at 951-486-7200 or 800-773-8683 to request a mailed copy.

The Nov. 3 election is a countywide election. Registered voters in all areas of the county are eligible to cast votes in this election. For questions about your eligibility to vote, contact the registrar's office at 951-486-7200.

Voter assistance centers and ballot drop-off locations are printed in the voter information guide. A Spanish-language version of the guide will be available at www.voteinfo.net and a copy can be mailed upon request.

Below is a list of important deadlines for the Nov. 3 election:

- Oct. 5: First day of early voting in the Registrar of Voters' office and first day the registrar will mail vote-by-mail ballots to voters.
- Oct. 19: Last day to register to vote or change political party preference for the Nov. 3 election.
- Oct. 27: Last day the registrar may accept mailed requests for vote-by-mail ballots. After Oct. 27, voters must go to the registrar's office to request and pick up a vote-by-mail ballot. Voters who have requested but not received a vote-by-mail ballot by Oct. 27 should contact the registrar's office at 951-486-7200.
- Oct. 31: First day of voting at voter assistance centers.
- Nov. 3: Election Day

Vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the elections official, no later than the close of the polls on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than 17 days after Election Day to be counted.

If you want to register, update your address or change your political party preference, you must complete a voter registration application and submit it by Oct. 19. You can register online at registertovote.ca.gov or request a paper application by calling 951-486-7200.

Special Note: Effective Jan. 1 2017, conditional voter registration is available to eligible voters in California pursuant to Election Codes 2170 through 2173. Conditional voter registration (CVR) extends the existing 15-day registration deadline to eligible voters, allowing them to register and vote 14 days before an election through Election Day. An eligible voter would need to register directly at any voter assistance center to conditionally register to vote and vote a provisional ballot.

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PCPOA meeting Oct. 3

By RICHARD SCHWARTZ
PRESIDENT, PCPOA

The Pine Cove Property Owners Association (PCPOA) will meet via zoom from 9 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3.

Members will receive invitations via email. Topics of discussion will include County Service Area 38's current status. Michael Franklin, Riverside County EDA Development Manager for the Community and Cultural Services Division, will attend.

Franklin was originally scheduled to attend the August meeting but had to cancel due to a family emergency.



VOTE SAFE at Voter Assistance Centers

Voter Assistance Centers will be available for **four days** beginning the Saturday before the **November 3, 2020**, election. Voter Assistance Centers will offer voter registration, accessible voting machines, and language assistance.

You can help keep voter assistance centers safe for voters and election workers in these three ways:

- 1 Skip the line.**
You can return completed ballots **by mail** with no stamp needed, at a secure **ballot drop box**, or at a **voter assistance center**. Voter assistance centers will have separate lines for voters dropping off completed ballots.
 Find a nearby drop box or voting location at CAEarlyVoting.sos.ca.gov
- 2 Vote early.**
If you visit a voter assistance center in person, **go before Election Day** to help with physical distancing. Voter Assistance Centers will be open for four days beginning the Saturday before Election Day.
- 3 Follow safety procedures.**
Protect your health and the health of other voters and election workers at Voter Assistance Centers by taking the following precautions:

VOTING LOCATION SAFETY CHECKLIST

- ☒ **Wear a face covering** while at the voting location.
- ☒ **Keep 2 arms' length distance** from other people.
- ☒ **Wash hands** before and after entering the voting location.
- ☒ **Use hand sanitizer** after touching doors or voting equipment.
- ☒ **Bring a ballpoint pen** to avoid touching high-contact surfaces.
- Want more information about how to stay safe while voting?**
Review Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/election-polling-locations.html

Voters who can vote by mail will help ensure safe physical distancing at voting locations. County elections offices will begin sending vote-by-mail ballots to California voters beginning **October 5, 2020**. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked by **November 3, 2020**; ballots returned at a secure ballot drop box must be deposited by **8:00 p.m. on November 3, 2020**.

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

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- Subscriptions to both printed and online issues of the Town Crier.
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- Recognition of your Membership in the Town Crier, unless you request anonymity.
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- Invitations to what we hope will be the annual Town Crier Membership Party.
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County waste department to provide free virtual composting and vermicomposting classes Saturday

By RIVERSIDE COUNTY
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Looking for a safe, socially-distanced way to learn how to create a soil amendment that's great for gardens? On Saturday, Oct. 3, the Riverside County Department of Waste Resources will host free virtual backyard composting and vermicomposting classes that can be accessed on any computer, tablet or smartphone.

Learn how to recycle organic resources such as yard trimmings, as well as fruit and vegetable waste into a dark, crumbly, sweet-smelling soil conditioner.

The first virtual class will teach residents how compost can be used to enrich the soil in gardens, lawns and house plants. Instead of putting organic waste into the garbage to be hauled to the landfill, learn to compost.

The free virtual backyard composting class begins at 9 a.m. and can be accessed via the sign-up link found at www.rcwaste.org/classes. Composting is nature's way of recycling. It's a great way to turn waste into a garden.

In composting, organic material is mixed together in a pile or bin, where literally millions of tiny microbes digest the material and turn it into a nutrient-rich soil amendment.

Following the virtual composting class, attendees can then learn how to further break down food and yard waste with help from worms through a process known as vermi-

Instead of putting organic waste into the garbage to be hauled to the landfill, learn to compost.

composting. The virtual vermicomposting class will begin at 11 a.m. The composting and vermicomposting classes can be taken independently from one another, or attendees can choose to attend both virtual sessions.

If attendees would like to put the principles taught in the classes into practice, compost bins are available for purchase at our headquarters facility in Moreno Valley.

These bins are only available for purchase by Riverside County residents and have a limit of three per household. They are \$12 each. Cash is not accepted. Purchase the bins over the phone. Bin purchase and pickup (curbside) are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to noon. For more details visit <http://www.rcwaste.org/composting/bins>.

The virtual classes are free and will end by 1 p.m. These programs are offered to teach residents about the ease and advantages of organic material recycling and how composting helps preserve valuable space in county landfills.

For more information, call 951-486-3200, visit www.rcwaste.org/classes or email WasteCompRecyc@rcwaste.org.



Above, the first virtual class will teach residents how compost can be used to enrich the soil in gardens, lawns and house plants.

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Left, compost bins are only available for purchase by Riverside County residents and have a limit of three per household.

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Props

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MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 15 can be found at pages 8 and 22-25 of the guide.

PROP. 16 – Allows diversity as a factor in public employment, education and contracting decisions.

FOR PROP. 16: Carol Moon Goldberg, President, League of Women Voters of California; Thomas A. Saenz, President, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund; Eva Paterson, President, Equal Justice Society; E. Toby Boyd, President, California Teachers Association; Norma Chavez-Peterson, Executive Director, American Civil Liberties Union of San Diego and Imperial counties; Dr. Bernice A. King, CEO, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center

AGAINST PROP. 16: Tom Campbell, former Dean, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley; Leo Terrell, Civil Rights Lawyer; Kali Fontanilla, Public School Teacher; Ward Connerly, President, Californians for Equal Rights; Gail Heriot, Professor of Law; Betty Tom Chu, former California Constitution Revision Commissioner

MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 16 can be found at pages 9 and 26-29 of the guide.

PROP. 17 – Restores right to vote after completion of prison term.

FOR PROP. 17: Carol Moon Goldberg, President, League of Women Voters of California; Jay Jordan, Executive Director, Californians for Safety and Justice; Kevin McCarty, Assemblymember, Prop. 17 Author; Abdi Soltani, Executive Director, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) — Northern California

AGAINST PROP. 17: Harriet Salerno, Founder, Crime Victims United of California; Jim Nielsen, Chairman, California Board of Prison Terms (Ret.); Ruth Weiss, Vice President, Election Integrity Project California

MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 17 can be found at pages 9 and 30-33 of the guide.

PROP. 18 – Amends California Constitution to permit 17-year-olds to vote in primary and special elections if they will turn 18 by the next general election and be otherwise eligible to vote.

FOR PROP. 18: Kevin Mullin, Assemblymember, California Assembly District 22; Evan Low, Assemblymember, California Assembly District 22; Mary Creasman, chief executive officer, California League of Conservation Voters (CLCV); Senator Richard D. Roth, Major General USAF (Retired); Senator Thomas J. Umberg, Colonel U.S. Army (Retired)

AGAINST PROP. 18: Ruth Weiss, Co-founder, Election Integrity Project California; Jon Coupal, President, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association; Larry Sand, retired teacher

MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 18 can be found at pages 10 and 34-37 of the guide.

PROP. 19 – Changes certain property tax rules.

FOR PROP. 19: Brian Rice, President, California Professional Firefighters; Kathleen Barajas, President, Californians for Disability Rights; George Mozingo, Boardmember, California Senior Advocates League; Kristy Militello, Tubbs Wildfire Survivor; David Wolfe, Former Legislative Director, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association; Salena Pryor, President, Black Small Business Association of California

AGAINST PROP. 19: Jon Coupal, President Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association; Senator Patricia Bates, District 36; Assemblyman Ken Cooley, District 8

MORE INFORMATION regarding Prop. 19 can be found at pages 10 and 34-37 of the guide.

FULL TEXTS OF PROPS 15-19 can be found on the Secretary of State's website at vgfeedback@sos.ca.gov or call toll-free 800-345-VOTE (8683).

The Town Crier will index Props. 20-25 in next week's paper.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as EAST IMPERIAL at 53224 Pina Vista Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 1612, Idyllwild, CA 92549. BRADEN -- DIOTTE, 53224 Pina Vista Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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).)

Registrator Signature: BRADEN -- DIOTTE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on August 26, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202008888

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

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CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

Pub. TC: Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 2020.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as JABS: CUSTOMERCH at 1029 S. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 69940 Papaya Ln, Cathedral City, CA 92264. JASON RICHARD MORRIS, 1029 S. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, CA 92264.

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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).)

Registrator Signature: JASON MORRIS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on August 19, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202008696

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as RIDGELINE VETERINARY CLINIC at 68100 Ramon Road, Suite A3, Cathedral City, CA 92234, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 10369 San Geronio Avenue, Morongo Valley 92256. RACHEL REEDY, D.V.M., INC., 10369 San Geronio Avenue, Morongo Valley 92256. The List State of Corporation is CA.

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Registrator Signature: RACHEL REEDY

PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on September 2, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202009087

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: Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 1, 8, 2020.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as TOTAL AUTO BODY & FRAME SHOPPE at 491 E. Menlo Ave., Hemet, CA 92543. STEVEN D. DESROCHER (DAVID), 26709 Lore Heights Ct., Hemet, CA 92544. JANAL DESROCHER (LADON), 26709 Lore Heights Ct., Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed

above on 1993.

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).)

Registrator Signature: JANA L. DESROCHER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on September 3, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202009179

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

Pub. TC: Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 1, 8, 2020.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as LG GRAPHIX at 41905 Boardwalk Suite B, Palm Desert, CA 92211, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 41905 Boardwalk Suite i, Palm Desert, CA 92211.

MELINDA FLAKE SUTTON, 78162 Calico Glen Dr, Bermuda Dunes, CA 92203.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 9-21-20.

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).)

Registrator Signature: MELINDA FLAKE SUTTON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on September 28, 2020.

FILE NO.: R-202009859

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Pub. TC: Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2020.



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, Sept. 30**
- 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>.
- Thursday, Oct. 1**
- 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, 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.
- Friday, Oct. 2**
- 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
- Saturday, Oct. 3**
- Pine Cove Property Owners Association (PCPOA), 9-10 a.m. Members will receive an email invite to the Zoom meeting.

- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - American Legion Post 800 meeting, 10 a.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Sunday, Oct. 4**
- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Farmers Market, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
 - Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
 - Course in Miracles discussion, 11 a.m. Call Karin at 951-973-8651 for location.
- Monday, Oct. 5**
- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Al-Anon weekly Zoom online meeting, 6:30 p.m. Join meeting: [https://us04web](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4111202127p-wd=R211ejhwL0RlenR-VOGVULzLQVmtGdz09).

- [zoom.us/j/4111202127p-wd=R211ejhwL0RlenR-VOGVULzLQVmtGdz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4111202127p-wd=R211ejhwL0RlenR-VOGVULzLQVmtGdz09)
- Tuesday, Oct. 6**
- Low Income Commodity Distribution (all ages, low income), 10 a.m.-noon. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St. Bring box for food.
 - 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.
 - Anza Valley Citizens Patrol, 6 p.m. Call C.J., 951-392-5985.
 - Hemet Unified School District board meeting, 6:30 p.m. HUSD offices, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7**
- 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>.
- 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. 951-659-3335.
 - Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 951-659-3850.
 - 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.

Collisions on local highways

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Three collisions on local highways over the last week, according to California Highway Patrol Public Information Officer Matt Napier.

On Sept. 25 at 10:10 p.m., a white 1993 Toyota T100 was traveling northbound on Highway 243 just north of mile marker 10.75. For unknown reason, the driver drifted to the right-hand side of the roadway, went into soft dirt and overturned onto the right side.

After the collision, the driver fled the scene. The owner of the vehicle came to the scene claiming he let his friend borrow his car but didn't say who the friend was, according to Napier. There were no injuries and the vehicle was towed by Idyllwild Garage.

On Sept. 26 at 1:25 p.m., Steve Lorne Svedberg, 59 of Ramona, was driving his white 2015 GMC Sierra westbound on Highway 74 at a stated speed of 60 mph.

Katelyn Elizabeth Christensen, 18 of Palm Desert, was driving her white 2018 Toyota Camry with passenger Deborah Christensen eastbound on Highway 74.

Svedberg failed to yield, turning left onto Highway 371 directly in the path of Christensen, causing Christensen to collide with the side of Svedberg's vehicle. Deborah Christensen was taken to Eisenhower Health as a precaution. There were no other injuries and both vehicles were towed by Valley Auto.

On Sept. 27 at 10:15 a.m., Leo Francis Biller, 78 of Canyon Lake, was driving his yellow 1975 Chevrolet Corvette westbound on Highway 74 west of May Valley Road at a stated speed of 55 mph when, for unknown reasons, he failed to negotiate a left-hand curve, fishtailing into the dirt, overcorrecting and flipping the Corvette onto its roof.

Biller was transported to Riverside University Health System Medical Center with minor injuries. He vehicle was towed by Idyllwild Garage.

According to California Highway Patrol Officer **Graham Aanestad**, a yellow 1975 Chevrolet Corvette, driven by **Leo Francis Biller** of Canyon Lake, lost control and overturned while negotiating a left-hand curve Sunday morning. At 10:20 a.m., Biller was traveling at 55 mph westbound on Highway 74 near mile marker 61 with a Corvette club when the incident occurred. Biller suffered abrasions to his right arm and a cut to his left forearm. He was transported by Idyllwild Fire Protection District ambulance to a nearby hospital. Idyllwild Garage towed the vehicle.



PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Heard about the ‘waiting package’ phishing scam?

By ARI LAZARUS
CONSUMER EDUCATION SPECIALIST, FTC

Phishing scams can be hard to spot. For example, we've been hearing about one where people get a text message saying that there's a package waiting for them and asking them to click a link to learn more. Sounds innocent enough, right? Unfortunately, not.

The messages are coming from scammers. In some cases, they're targeted at college students. In that version, scammers text returning students to say there's a package waiting for them — sometimes claiming it's been waiting since last spring, when many students had to go home from campus quickly.

Whatever the message is, this rule stays the same: If you get an unexpected text message about a package, don't click on any links. If you think the message could be legit, contact the company using a website or phone number you know is real. But don't use the information in the text message.

Why do you want to avoid clicking the link? Once you click, they can trick

Once you click, they can trick you into giving personal information — letting scammers steal your passwords, account numbers or Social Security number. Clicking these links could also let scammers download malware onto your device.

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Check out this article on phishing scams (<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>) to learn more about how these schemes work.

Did you get a phishing text? Forward it to SPAM (7726) and then report it to the FTC at ftc.gov/complaint.

NEWS OF RECORD

Idyllwild Fire

Idyllwild Fire Protection District recently responded to the following calls.

- Sept. 21 — Medical aid, 4:30 p.m. Idyllbrook Dr.
- Sept. 22 — Medical aid, 9:16 p.m. Highway 243.
- Sept. 25 — Medical aid, 1:42 a.m. Dome Ln.
- Sept. 25 — Walk-in medical aid, 2:09 p.m.
- Sept. 25 — Medical aid, 8:28 p.m. Manzanita Dr.
- Sept. 26 — Walk-in medical aid, 3:36 a.m.
- Sept. 26 — Carbon monoxide detector - no CO, 11:17 a.m. Delano Dr.
- Sept. 26 — Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident, 2:31 p.m. Temecula Dr.
- Sept. 26 — Medical aid, 3:55 p.m. Highway 74.
- Sept. 27 — Dispatched and canceled en route, 2:01 a.m. Meadow Dr.
- Sept. 27 — Medical aid, 3:53 a.m. Cedar St.
- Sept. 27 — Motor vehicle accident with injuries, 10:25 a.m. Highway 243.
- Sept. 27 — Walk-in medical aid, 3:30 p.m.

Cal Fire

Cal Fire recently responded to the following calls by station.

Station 23 - Pine Cove

- Sept. 21 — Stroke, 12:19

a.m.

- Sept. 21 — Abdominal pain, 11:45 a.m.
- Sept. 22 — Falls, 7:06 p.m.
- Sept. 25 — Other, referral/relay, 3:12 p.m.
- Sept. 25 — Fire - false alarm, 11:22 p.m.
- Sept. 26 — Vegetation fire, 2:08 p.m.
- Sept. 27 — Traffic collision, 10:22 a.m.

Station 30 - Pinyon Pines

- Sept. 21 — Fire - false alarm, 12:22 p.m.
- Sept. 25 — Vegetation fire, 2:21 a.m.
- Sept. 25 — Sick person, 1:31 p.m.
- Sept. 25 — Hazmat, 8:40 p.m.

Station 53 - Garner Valley

- Sept. 21 — Fire - false alarm, 12:22 p.m.
- Sept. 22 — Vegetation fire, 10:41 a.m.
- Sept. 22 — Vegetation fire, 11:38 a.m.
- Sept. 22 — Outside fire, 12:44 p.m.
- Sept. 22 — Unknown medical, 9:15 p.m.
- Sept. 24 — Unknown medical, 6:46 a.m.
- Sept. 24 — Falls, 8:58 a.m.
- Sept. 24 — Fire - false alarm, 9:29 a.m.
- Sept. 25 — Vegetation fire, 2:21 a.m.
- Sept. 26 — Traffic collision,

1:30 p.m.

- Sept. 26 — Fainting, 3:54 p.m.
- Sept. 26 — Vegetation fire, 5:01 p.m.
- Sept. 27 — Traffic collision, 10:22 a.m.
- Sept. 27 — Sick person, 3:41 p.m.
- Sept. 27 — Outside fire, 10:11 p.m.

Station 63 - Poppet Flats

- Sept. 22 — Sick person, 12:37 p.m.
- Sept. 24 — Falls, 8:33 a.m.
- Sept. 25 — Outside fire, 7:48 p.m.
- Sept. 27 — Falls, 3:26 p.m.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Sunday to Saturday, Sept. 20 to Sept. 26.

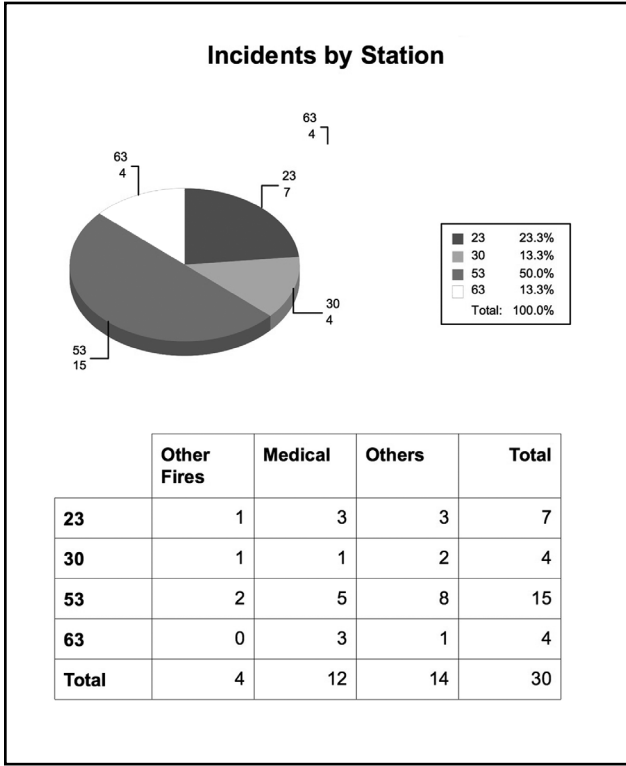
Idyllwild

- Sept. 21 — Shots fired, 2:27 a.m. Live Oak St. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 21 — Suspicious person, 10:41 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 21 — Alarm call, 5:39 p.m. Ridgeview Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 21 — Public disturbance, 6:54 p.m. Alderwood St. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 22 — Alarm call, 4:45 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

- Sept. 22 — Alarm call, 8:25 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy
- Sept. 23 — Suspicious circumstance, 8:37 a.m. 52000 block of Double View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 23 — Suspicious person, 1:20 p.m. 26000 block of Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 23 — Area check, 5:10 p.m. Tahquitz View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 23 — Shots fired, 5:12 p.m. Strong Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 23 — Shots fired, 5:16 p.m. Hemstreet Pl. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 24 — Noise complaint, 12:08 a.m. Delano Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 24 — Embezzlement, 8:54 a.m. Tollgate Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 24 — Public assist, 4:28 p.m. Tahquitz Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 24 — Prowler, 7:45 p.m. Crestview Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 25 — Public assist, 11:32 a.m. Daryll Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 25 — Alarm call, 1:53 p.m. Village Center Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 25 — Suspicious person, 6:30 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — Alarm call, 9:32 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — Alarm call, 12:14 p.m. 54000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — Alarm call, 2:32 p.m. 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — Public assist, 4:36 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — 911 call from business, 8:14 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Sept. 26 — Battery, 8:15 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

- Sept. 26 — Alarm call, 8:26 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mountain Center**
- Sept. 22 — Check the welfare, 3:46 p.m. 53000 block of E. Highway 74. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 23 — Follow-up, 11:41 a.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 24 — Follow-up, 12:55 p.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Pine Cove**
- Sept. 20 — Alarm call, 1:55 p.m. Foster Lake Rd. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 21 — Assist other department, 11:43 a.m. 52000 block of Pine Cove Rd. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 24 — Alarm call, 5:16 a.m. Cedar Crest Dr. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 26 — Unknown trouble, 9:35 p.m. address undefined. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 26 — Noise complaint, 10:51 p.m. 22000 block Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- Pine Meadows/Garner**

- Valley**
- Sept. 22 — Alarm call, 12:52 a.m. Devils Ladder Rd. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 22 — Assist other department, 6:29 p.m. Devils Ladder Rd. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 25 — Check the welfare, 5:06 p.m. Deer Trl. Handled by deputy.
- Poppet Flats/Twin Pines**
- Sept. 21 — Danger to self/other, 5:09 p.m. Big Horn St. Unfounded.
 - Sept. 25 — 911 call from business, 4:07 p.m. 46000 block of Poppet Flats Rd. Handled by deputy.
- San Bernardino National Forest**
- Sept. 23 — Public disturbance, 8:45 a.m. Canyon Trl. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 24 — Assist other department, 12:27 p.m. Ribonwood Dr. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 25 — Assist other department, 3:18 p.m. Canyon Trl. Handled by deputy.
 - Sept. 25 — Assist other department, 11:24 p.m. Canyon Trl. Handled by deputy.



Calls to Cal Fire by station. Station 23 is Pine Cove. Station 30 is Pinyon Pines. Station 53 is Garner Valley. Station 63 is Poppet Flats.

CHART COURTESY OF CAL FIRE

Candidates

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the Paradise and similar fires, that phone, cell and internet phone systems can and do fail from loss of power and communication lines.

Dennis Fogle: Due to the sudden danger that fire and other emergencies can and has caused, the need for an emergency siren is a wise investment that can save lives. If the finances are available and the maintenance costs are reasonable, I feel that the investment would be worthwhile.

2. What are your thoughts on the proposed fire sprinkler ordinance?

Christina Reitz: The sprinkler ordinance should match the building and fire regulations of the county and state.

Dennis Fogle: The ordinance that requires sprinklers in additions of 50% or more to a structure is already in place and is being enforced by the Riverside County Building Department. Whether the ordinance should be reduced to 30% is still being researched.

3. Should the district have transferred banking operations to a non-local bank?

Christina Reitz: Not all banks can handle the needs and requirements of government banking. If the local bank was unable to meet the district's banking needs, then it had no choice but to transfer its banking operations to a non-local bank. But it should maintain an account locally to handle cash deposits and withdrawals, transferring when necessary between banks. Driving on and off the Hill to bank just adds to the district's expense of doing business if not entirely necessary.

Dennis Fogle: The local bank costs more to carry an emergency account and it doesn't give an interest rate comparable with other U.S. banks.

4. How is the district managed, both operationally and fiscally?

Christina Reitz: Overall, the district is soundly managed. I have concerns especially when it comes to ensuring that the district is covered with enough staffing when running multiple calls and when sending personnel and equipment out of the area to assist on large fires. The district eliminated the assistant chief position, and the fire chief leaves the district for extended periods of time as part of an Incident Management Team for large incidents. I am concerned about who is running the district when that happens. I am also concerned that the district's budget relies so heavily on money coming from responding to the large fires that there will be budget problems when there is a slow fire season. Abatement and enforcement is another area of concern. Drive-by inspections, lack of personal contact for corrections and enforcement, not having current property owner information, poor handling of neighbors making complaints and the complaints by those being served are all issues that have been brought to my attention.

Dennis Fogle: There is a monthly review of the operations and expenditures of the IFPD presented by the chief and reviewed by the board members. It is critical that the income is sufficient to pay the monthly expenses and plans for future needs of the department.

5. Is there a need to bring a parcel fee increase before the voters?

Christina Reitz: Maybe. It will be a hard sell when the district has increased the fire chief's salary, purchased a new vehicle for the fire chief (that is unmarked), new office equipment, acquired two more fire engines and ordered two new ambulances. Yes, the equipment is necessary, especially the ambulances, the new vehicles were financed and the two

fire engines were free. I have also noticed the new logos (that only reflect firefighting and not the EMS side of IFPD) and new uniforms plus gear for the crew but at what cost. The district has also been able to get some grants to gain additional equipment. More vehicles and more equipment mean more on-going maintenance costs. To the voter on a fixed income and the struggling business owners in a town hit by fire and washed out roads in recent years, and now a pandemic, it is going to be very difficult to pass.

Dennis Fogle: Since the parcel fees were established, there have been several increases and decreases of the fee. The fee has not changed since 2004, which is \$65 per parcel. As everyone is aware, the increase of the cost of living and the need for an increase in salaries requires more income. Since the fees have not increased in 16 years, we are paying our employees salaries below other departments. This has caused us to lose young, trained firefighters to other agencies that pay more. Therefore, I am in favor of a parcel fee increase. It is a shame that our community is willing to pay more to have its garbage removed than to pay more firefighters to save our homes from fire or to respond to a life-threatening medical emergency. Garbage removal has a built-in fee increase and so should the fire department.

Questions: State Assembly, 71st district. Candidates: Randy Voepel (incumbent) and Liz "Elizabeth" Lavertu. Only Lavertu submitted responses.

1. Why should renters go into debt to pay back rent when the government shut down the economy?

Liz Lavertu: Renters who have been hit the hardest by the shutdown should not go into debt due to back rent. The state has already stepped in to protect renters from being evicted and property owners from defaulting on their mortgage. I am hoping that by Feb. 1, the federal government will step in to help stabilize the housing market. If they don't, we will have to dig deep to find solutions for property owners and renters alike.

2. Should the state provide Medicare for All during a pandemic?

Liz Lavertu: We should always have Medicare for All, pandemic or not. Health care is a right and everyone deserves comprehensive, affordable and quality health care.

3. Has the state effectively handled the pandemic?

Liz Lavertu: California has done better than some parts of the country, but I believe if we would've been slightly stricter early on and stayed closed for two to three weeks longer, we would be in a much better position today.

4. What do you say to small-business owners who had to permanently shut their doors?

Liz Lavertu: I am sorry that the government was not there for you. We failed you. Your business is important to our state's economy, over 50% of private sector jobs in California come from small businesses like yours. Let's work together on rebuilding and helping you with your next chapter.

5. What can be done to take the burden off stay-at-home/work-from-home parents?

Liz Lavertu: As a work-from-home parent whose child is still 100% distance learning, my heart goes out to all the caregivers. We have met a lot of new challenges this year, some of which could've been avoided. The lack of equity when it comes to internet service and technology has been brought to light during COVID-19. As a state, we need to step in and provide more child care centers to meet the needs of our communi-

ties to support our families.

6. What do you think of the governor's executive order directing the state to require that, by 2035, all new cars and passenger trucks sold in California be zero-emission vehicles? (This seems odd given the approval of fracking permits.) Will the state actually be able to replace the funding from the gas tax? How is California's working class (already over taxed) going to be able to afford moving to zero-emission vehicles?

Liz Lavertu: It is ridiculous to approve over 360 new fracking events in 2020 and turn around and issue an executive order to ban sales of new gasoline cars. I am not concerned about the loss of tax dollars. We can always find new revenue to replace the gas tax when sales begin to slow. If a new tax is needed, it should not impact California's working class who already pay their fair share. When it comes to the cost of these new vehicles, my hope is that by 2035 there will be significant advancements in technology to be able to offer affordable options for zero-emissions vehicles and that we find solutions to the environmental impact that their batteries have on our planet. When we get there, if the vehicles are not priced accordingly, the state will need to step in to offset cost for some residents.

7. What is your position on fracking?

Liz Lavertu: We need to ban fracking to protect the environment and the people who live in those communities. California is heading toward a zero-emission future and we should be investing in future jobs in green and renewable energy.

8. What does medical freedom mean to you?

Liz Lavertu: Many people, myself included, are scared to seek medical care due to the cost. Medical freedom to me means freedom to choose your health care provider, freedom from exorbitant medical bills, the ability to seek the medical attention you need, when you need it.

Questions: Congress, 36th district. Candidates: Raul Ruiz (incumbent) and Erin Cruz. Only Cruz submitted responses by the deadline. The Ruiz campaign responded with, "Thanks for reaching out. Unfortunately, this was a very tight turnaround for responses to your questions. I'm sorry we couldn't meet your deadline."

1. Now seems like a good time to implement Medicare for All. The majority of Americans support it. Congress had no problem giving corporations trillions of dollars in March. So the "We can't afford it" argument doesn't stand. Do you agree?

Erin Cruz: No. Free market solutions are best. We need to encourage competition.

2. Has congress done enough to aid Americans during the pandemic? Why?

Erin Cruz: No. Americans, including those with businesses, have the right to Due Process and Just Compensation in the event of indefinite closures. Fifteen days to "flatten the curve" has turned into over six months of excessive government interference in our ability to life, liberty and pursuit of Happiness. In the beginning, we were not sure of the extent of illness impact in our communities. By April, there should have been an aggressive plan to open up our communities while staying safe and healthy. In a county with 2.3 million residents we have seen drastic negative impact as a result of the fallout of COVID, not necessarily from the COVID illness itself. Suicide rates are up, deferred health care of otherwise healthy individuals has hurt many folks and the impact on local communities will take a decade or more to recover from. Our communities deserve better.

3. What is your position on fracking?

Erin Cruz: There are pros and cons if you look at research behind fracking. When elected to Congress, I will be "read in" to many aspects of the fracking debate regular folks don't have access to. I would like to meet with experts on all sides before I move forward in any legislative capacity. We need to be energy self-sufficient as a nation and look at a balanced approach to sustainability.

4. Is the current wildfire prevention and land management funding adequate? If not, what is needed?

Erin Cruz: No. Our forests have lacked proactive management and oversight leading to massive wildfires. With the uptick in rural living, forest fires have become increasingly tricky to navigate for first responders. As seen in the most recent fires across our region and through the state, our first responders have been stretched thin in their ability to respond efficiently and most importantly, respond in a way that keeps them safe while they do their jobs. Not only do our first responders need equipment and resources, there needs to be sufficient planning in the area of manpower as well.

5. What is the new "normal?" Have we seen the full impact of COVID-19?

Erin Cruz: No response.

6. Should there be a federal jobs program?

Erin Cruz: It should not be the Federal Government's job to guarantee employment. Resources to allow Americans the ability to quickly gain employment should be left to free market solutions.

7. What are your thoughts on Julian Assange?

Erin Cruz: No response.

8. Why should Americans go into debt to pay back rent when the government shut down the economy?

Erin Cruz: This issue goes back to Due Process and Just Compensation. Congress certainly needs to look at how to navigate the jump-start of full opening as it relates to individuals who were not considered "essential workers" and how these hard-hit Americans will be able to navigate lifting of eviction moratoriums, etc. My position on a reopen outlook isn't to keep communities closed or you don't get emergency funding, rather, I view the best economic stimulus is to fully open up the country. If states don't open up, they don't receive supplemental support to aid with combating COVID, amid re-opening. There has been enough dumping into industries with the endless shutdown across the states. Incentivize rather than penalize is the way to go.

9. What do you say to a small-business owner who had to permanently shut their doors when large corporations were given access to trillions of dollars without jumping through the same hoops as small businesses?

Erin Cruz: This is outrageous and these business owners should organize and actively pursue formal suit against the county and state.

10. What does medical freedom mean to you?

Erin Cruz: Your freedom to choose your health care, treatments and navigate health issues with your physician. Vaccinations should be elective not forced, especially the flu vaccine and any COVID vaccine released in the future.

11. Should the government be pushing artificial intelligence?

Erin Cruz: Any industry that flourished should be one that thrives without government interference. Technology and innovation do best when they develop organically.

12. Are you concerned about Bayer's acquisition of Monsanto and how that impacts our food and health system?

Erin Cruz: Yes.

MOUNTAIN FOLK

Kezia Manchester, of Idyllwild, was one of the more than 1,500 students named to the Biola University Dean's List in spring 2020. The honor is given to those with a term GPA of 3.6 or higher, enrolled in 12 or more credits and have at least a 3.2 overall GPA.

"Inclusion in Biola University's Dean's List is reserved for students who demonstrate exceptional performance in their academic studies," said Tamara Anderson, associate provost of academic effectiveness and administration. "This honor signifies hard work, engagement and investment in scholarship. These attributes are the building blocks of continued success, not only in the classroom, but in the workplace and in the student's personal lives. We celebrate these students and their achievement, looking forward to their future accomplishments."

Soroptimists ask for donations

Soroptimist International of Idyllwild (www.siidyllwild.org) is encouraging the community to collect regular size soap, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, deodorant and lotion. Collected items will support the Soroptimists in assisting the Idyllwild Help Center, which currently serves the needs of more than 600 people in our mountain community.

In addition to these basic needs, as sponsors of the "Soroptimist Women's Cabinet" located at the Help Center, local Soroptimists also emphasize that donations of feminine products, including sanitary napkins, tampons, razors and panty liners, as well as toilet paper, are desperately needed. Contact Theresa Teel at thursa@gmail.com or Karen Doshier at 951-452-4599 to donate items mentioned.

Missing persons

Continued from A1

While it was unclear exactly where on the mountain deputies were searching for Lane, Purvis also confirmed that the search didn't provide any further information or evidence of where Lane is located.

Melissa Lane, 41, was last seen June 15, according to a poster on display in the Mountain Center area. The Town Crier spoke to Kathy Lamont, Lane's mother, "She was an avid hiker, but didn't have a destination. She was last seen in Pine Cove. I don't know if she's dead or alive."

Rosario Garcia was last seen July 7 wearing a brown shirt and blue jeans at the 26000 block of Katherine Street in Hemet. Garcia is a 73-year-old Hispanic female and it is possible she suffers from dementia or Alzheimer's disease. She is 5' 3" tall and 120 pounds.

Palm Desert deputies from the RCSD were dispatched to the area of 70000 East Highway 74 in Pinyon Pines at 11:46 a.m. on July 9 after Garcia's vehicle was found unoccupied. Garcia was not located after a search of the area was conducted.

Earlier in the year, local Roy Prifogle was reported missing after going on a hike in the Pine Cove area Wednesday, March 4. He left home at about 1 p.m. and was last seen at the Pine Cove Market at 6:30 p.m. on the same day. He was last seen wearing a red backpack and jeans.

RCSD Deputy Jeremy Parsons said, "After six full days of searching in between inclement weather, searching 8 to

10 hours per day, Prifogle has not been located. The Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit (RMRU), as well as search and rescue volunteers from San Bernardino County, Orange County and San Diego County, were assisting. In total, about 150 people have been searching during those six days." Also adding, "On the second or third day of the search, we found his backpack, but have found no other clues as to his whereabouts."

On Sunday, June 7 at approximately 8:24 a.m., Hemet Station Deputies were dispatched to the 58000 block of Bonita Vista in reference to a missing person. Lydia "Dia" Abrams was placed into the system as a missing person.

Abrams is 65 years old, 5' 5" tall, 130 pounds with blonde hair and blue eyes. She was last seen wearing a black and turquoise jack, yellow shirt and blue jeans.

According to RMRU, their team of volunteers was dispatched to Abrams' 160-acre ranch in the Apple Canyon area (between Mountain Center and Garner Valley) on June 9. They conducted a search from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. with no success of finding Abrams.

RMRU went out again on June 10 to search more difficult areas on the property including a creek bed and the hills overlooking her ranch. All assignments were completed by 6 p.m. At that point, detectives took over the investigation and called off the physical ground search.

If you have any information regarding the whereabouts of Roy Prifogle, Dia Abrams, Rosario Garcia or Melissa Lane, contact the RCSD immediately at 800-950-2444.



Rosario Garcia
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Lydia 'Dia' Abrams
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On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

B SECTION

IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., OCT. 1, 2020

Idyllwild Arts adapts, brings arts education to all ages

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) has been bringing arts education to talented high school students for decades. The Idyllwild Arts Summer Program has been bringing amazing arts courses ranging from young children to adults for even longer.

With the changing times, IAA had to adapt. Idyllwild Arts Summer Program for 2020 moved some of their classes online due to COVID-19, but now, they have reimagined

how to bridge the gap between the academy year and the summer program so everyone can enjoy the arts.

Mark Davis, vice president of the summer and auxiliary programs said, "Since June of 2015, one of the goals we had was to expand classes throughout the year so we could share Idyllwild Arts all year-round. Doing online classes this summer helped us expand that and figure out how to offer courses during the academy year."

Starting Oct. 3, many online classes will be
See Idyllwild Arts, page B7



Idyllwild Arts Academy's dance workshop
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Visual arts: Wild & Wondrous Explorations in Watercolor
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Idyllwild Jazz in the Pines student workshop
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Hot, fresh donuts are here

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Amelia's Donuts & More is proof that dreams really can come true. Amy and Jim McMahon, owners of Amelia's Donuts and More, opened their storefront.

While Amy was in a completely different career field since she graduated from high school, she learned how to make donuts at a young age.

"When I was 14, I learned how to do my basic cinnamon sugar donut," Amy said. "Throughout the years, I made them for family and friends. My daughter used to work at the bank. They ordered 200 donuts for a party and everyone said we needed to open a store."

Amy jumped into the medical field right out of high school. She has been a licensed vocational nurse for the past 11 years and was a medical records director for 17 years before that. After 28 years of helping those in their time of need, Amy decided to retire two weeks ago, now devoting her time to her new donut adventure.

"Before we lived here, we would bring our kids up here to visit," Amy said. "We'd go to the pie store that was in the center of town, and Jim would always say we needed to open up a donut shop. It was really a dream of his."

On Dec. 8, 2019, Amy decided to start making donuts at home, posting on social media if people wanted to buy
See Donuts, page B6



Jim and Amy McMahon in front of their new space.
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A small portion of the variety of donuts available at Amelia's Donuts & More.
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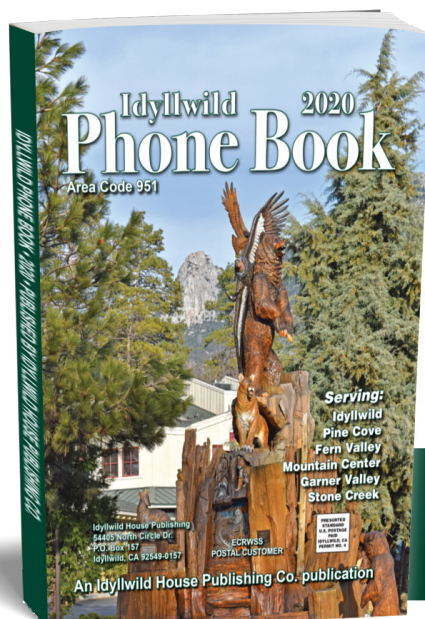
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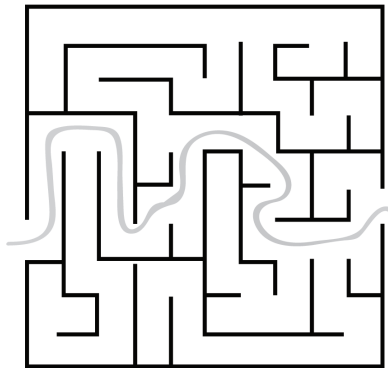
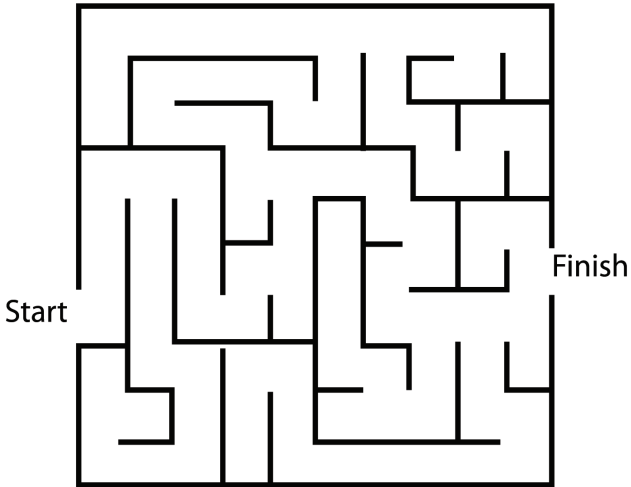
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ANSWER: DECORATING A CAKE



The Farmers Market had talented vendors selling handmade jewelry. PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Handmade cutting boards and pens by the Kilted Craftsman were being sold Sunday at the Farmers Market. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Handmade leather works, including purses, are new to the Farmers Market. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Handmade tumblers and artwork brought a splash of color to the Farmers Market. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



The Farmers Market brought unique and colorful art. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Handmade cards, masks, scarves and other treasures were available. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Kevin Kertin (center) jammed with fellow musicians on Thursday evening at the gazebo in the center of town. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in “Days of Our Nine Lives,” ARF cats talked about how humans may benefit by having a pet as a member of the family, especially during this pandemic.

Whiskers: Hurry! Everyone come here. We have a visitor.

Wyatt: (entering the office) Hey everyone! Remember me? I was adopted a little while back.

Sadie: Oh my gosh, Wyatt! You look great. How are you?

Wyatt: I am doing so well. I stopped by just to let you know how I’m doing and to tell you about my new family.

Whiskers: We welcome some good news during this crazy pandemic.

Wyatt: I was adopted by the most loving couple, Richard and Mary, and now I live in Irvine. My humans are so grateful to have me help them through this COVID thing. Mom says I have changed their routine for the better.

Pepper: How is that?

Wyatt: We go for walks three to four times a day and often I go for a hike that is 5.6 miles!

Sadie: Holy catnip! That’s great!

Wyatt: Dad and mom have lots of Zoom meetings and they say that I make certain they get out and move. And I guess the best thing I’ve done is to help my dad get through his grief over losing a dear friend. Mom says dad has turned his grief into love for me.

Pepper: So, it is safe to say that you are a living example of how a dog or cat can do wonderful things for humans, especially during this pandemic.

Wyatt: Got that right! I have benefited by getting to meet all kinds of people on our walks, helping mom with her gardening and playing lots of games of catch!

Whiskers: I think all humans should give pet adoption serious consideration.

Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of “Days of our Nine Lives” each week. And please stop in to say hello to the entire adoptable cast at the ARF House, 26890 Highway 243 on Saturdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sundays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. or by appointment M-F by calling 951-659-1122.

Creature Corner is sponsored by Carole Herman & Sandi Mathers.

Mark Yardas and Mara Schoner presented at the Art in Society event Friday afternoon via Zoom. They spoke about the importance of mutual aid within the community. PHOTO COURTESY OF IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY

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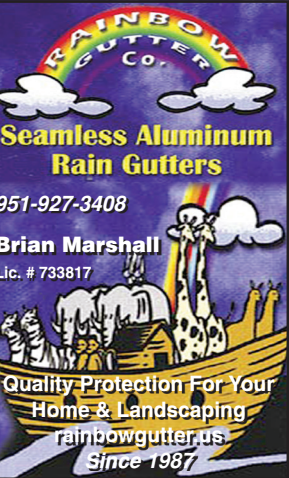


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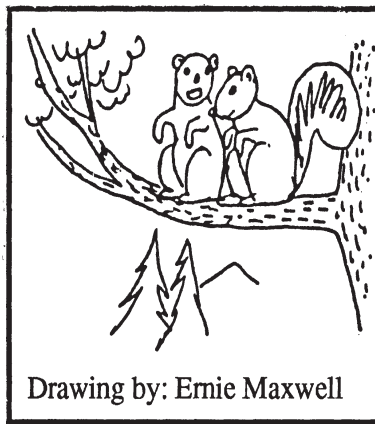
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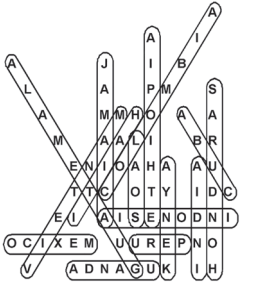
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- 6 Squid squirt
- 9 Doctrine
- 12 Construction piece
- 13 Cattle call
- 14 IRS employee
- 15 1492 ship
- 16 SAT takers' equipment
- 18 Pet rodent, often
- 20 Warmth
- 21 Second person
- 23 More, to Manuel
- 24 Portion of a repair bill
- 25 Great Lake
- 27 Amulet
- 29 "Where the Wild Things Are" author
- 31 "Nighthawks" painter
- 35 Edition

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- 1 Taste the tea
- 2 Japanese sash
- 3 Gotham City super-villain
- 4 Detest
- 5 Unctuous flat-tery
- 6 Mischievous
- 7 Yule refrain
- 8 "— -Tiki"
- 9 Less friendly

- 10 Pie-in-the-face sound
- 11 Sail supports
- 17 Winners
- 19 Supports
- 21 "Certainly"
- 22 Mined find
- 24 Expert
- 26 Rewrote, maybe
- 28 Winning
- 30 Fool
- 32 Musingly thoughtful
- 33 Swelled head
- 34 Uncooked
- 36 One
- 38 Calyx component
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October 2020 — Week 1



March 21 – April 19

A workplace change doesn't seem to have turned out quite as you'd hoped. Never mind: Just treat yourself to a healthy dollop of that Aries self-confidence, and you'll soon view things differently.

April 20 – May 20

Some of the support you might have hoped for in a difficult situation might not be there. But you have the strength to rely on your own capabilities if you must. Good luck.

May 21 – June 21

A disagreement with a longtime friend can be painful, but it also can be a learning lesson. Insist on a full and complete airing of views. You'll both come away the better for it.

June 22 – July 22

A stalled relationship can be restarted with some give and take on both sides. And while it could take more time than you expect, don't rush it. Be patient, and let it happen naturally.

July 23 – August 22

An opportunity to move a long-stalled project from concept to construction might be opening up for the Big Cat. Meanwhile, be prepared to spend more time dealing with family matters.

August 23 – September 22

Use your Virgo organizational skills to line up support to help you deal with a sticky workplace problem. A personal matter also might be helped with friendly intervention.

September 23 – October 22

Trying to resolve a workplace problem with a longtime associate can be difficult. Consider bringing in an impartial third party to help you both reach a mutually acceptable solution.

October 23 – November 21

This is a good time to assess your current career situation. Consider whether you have a chance to move up where you are now, or if you should look elsewhere.

November 22 – December 21

With education being a dominant part of this week's aspect, one of the things you might want to think about is taking courses to enhance your career opportunities.

December 22 – January 19

You might have a problem trying to stay focused on a matter you'd rather not deal with. But the sooner you do, the sooner it will be resolved and out of the way.

January 20 – February 18

An unforeseen complication creates a difficult problem. But things get resolved once you use your ability to turn negative situations into positive experiences.

February 19 – March 20

The Pisces penchant for doing the right thing at the right time helps you deal with a particularly troublesome situation. Consider your best option, and act accordingly.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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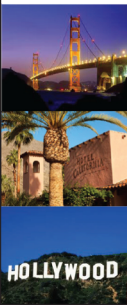
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Skateboarders can now shop locally

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

A new shop opened in the Village Lane on North Circle Drive. The store is one that hasn't been seen in Idyllwild before — a skateboard shop.

Build a Board Skate Shop opened Sept. 18. Carlos Mercado, of Cathedral City, who was born and raised in the Coachella Valley said, "I've been coming to Idyllwild since I was a kid. I've always loved it up here. It's cool. It's all mom and pop shops, no chain businesses."

The store sells skateboard decks and all of the accessories needed to create a custom board. Urban art supplies, stickers, punk rock and metal style records and books are also available. There are plans for t-shirts and other merchandise.

Mercado has been into skateboarding since he was a kid.

"I started skateboarding when I was in fifth grade," Mercado said. "I also have a lot of experience in music and urban art, so I want to provide that to the community."

Outside of skateboarding, Mercado wants to help children have a space to express themselves with urban art.

Urban art, like graffiti, tends to be looked down upon. It's harmful to the environment and can deface public or private properties. Mercado wants to change that.

"I want to have people see the good in urban art," Mercado said. "I want to have some plywood for children to come and paint. Make it a great, creative outlet while taking it off the streets."

With water-based spray paint available at the shop, it's less harmful than oil-based spray paint. This allows children to explore and experiment with these water-based spray paints.

The Idyllwild Skate Park was a fun place for children to hang out. However, it has needed some maintenance for years. The wood is warping from the weather and bolts are coming loose. Those that enjoy the park do their best to fix it on their own, but Mercado wants to dedicate funds to help get the park back into top skating form.

"I want to make Mayor Max skateboards and every time one sells, I'll put that money towards updating the skate park," Mercado explained.

These Mayor Max boards could make a great art display to hang on the wall, or if someone would want to

build it for riding, Mercado would be happy to help make that happen.

With winter on the way, skateboarding will decline. However, Mercado has found a solution — snow skateboards. You guessed it, just like a skateboard, but built for the snow.

"I found these little boards with a rubber bottom that are built for snow," Mercado said. "I want to bring those in for winter. I also want to bring in some heavy-duty, off-road wheels that are built for sand and dirt."

For children and adults alike, Build a Board Skate Shop has all you need for skateboarding, urban art supplies and much more to come. Be sure to stop by and meet Carlos.

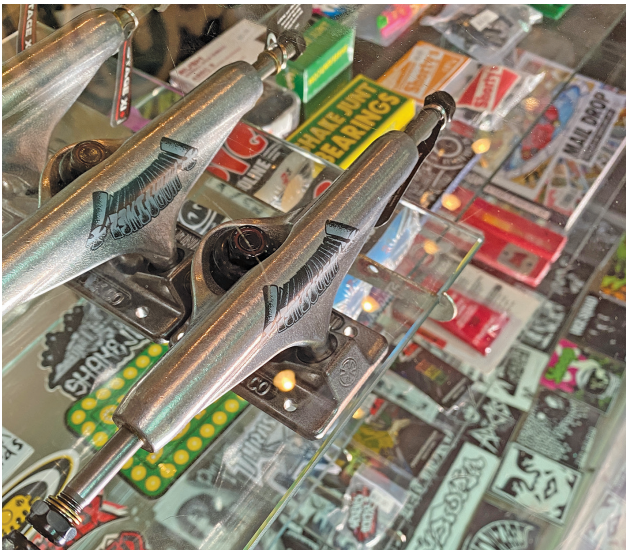
Build a Board Skate Shop is open Thursday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 54200 N. Circle Dr.



Carlos Mercado, owner of Build a Board Skate Shop, poses in his new space.
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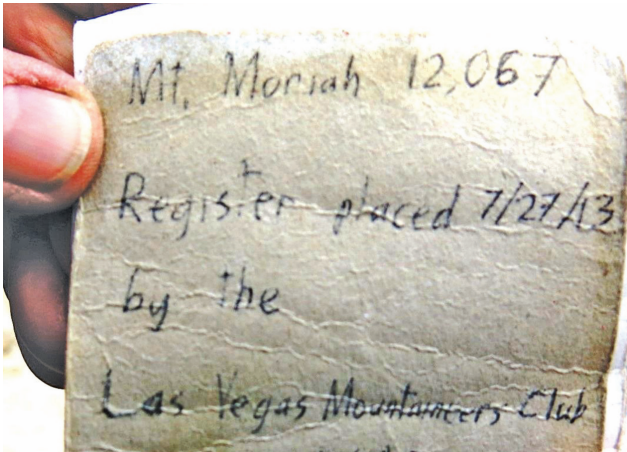
The "Idyllwild" urban art on the wall created by Carlos Mercado.
PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Stickers and skateboard trucks fill the front counter.
PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Alois and Penelope Smrz on Mt. Moriah (12,067 feet), highpoint of the Snake Range located north of Great Basin National Park in Nevada on Sept. 18. Hampered by 40 mph winds, they managed to scan the Town Crier for the latest news.
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HUSD students make PPE and face shields

By HEMET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
CONTRIBUTED

In times of uncertainty, people continue to rise to the challenge to meet the needs of not only themselves but those around them. Two students from Western Center Academy have spent the last six months making over 15,000 face shields and 2,000 items of personal protective equipment (PPE) for various entities in their community and throughout the world!

Zubin Carvalho, 14, and Tenzing Carvalho, 12, started the SoCal Face Shields for Frontline Workers in March with the idea of making a few dozen face shields for friends and family in the medical field when PPE was hard to obtain. They were quickly contacted by other entities and they began to expand their operations. When requests continued to come in, they worked with their principal and assistant principal to use the school's 3-D printers to keep up with the demand.

The Carvalho brothers utilized their contacts through their robotics team and students from Moreno Valley and Heritage High School began printing shields and schools throughout Hemet Unified School District began lending their 3-D printers to this great cause.

To date, the Carvalho brothers have donated face shields and PPE to health care workers, teachers and staff, postal

workers, farmworkers, emergency personnel, volunteers, food and custodial workers, nursing homes, Lideres Campesinas in Coachella and all Riverside County election workers.

Donations have been sent all throughout California, Washington, New Jersey, New York, England, the Philippines and Tanzania. Their efforts have been published through LA Times, Scripps National Network, Press-Enterprise, NBC Palm Springs and Asia News. These features have helped the brothers recruit materials and volunteers to meet their request needs.

In addition to these wonderful recognitions, the Carvalho brothers were asked to speak to the Riverside County Office of Education's (RCOE) Management Leadership Team during their quarterly meeting. The meeting, which was virtual due to COVID-19, allowed staff to ask the brothers questions about their efforts and gain a better understanding of their process in making these items. For example, they make different shields for medical workers to allow for more room for respirators and goggles.

This particular model of face shields takes between an hour and a half to two hours to complete. RCOE's director of public relations said that staff that attended the meeting were impressed and encouraged by the Carvalho brothers and the future of the county.



The Carvalho brothers
PHOTO COURTESY OF HUSD

Donuts

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them, she would deliver them. Deliveries were an instant success and over the summer she had a pop-up shop at Wild Idy on the weekends. Then when the space to have their own shop became available, the McMahons jumped on the opportunity.

While donuts are a huge part of this new adventure, there's also coffeecake, apple fritters and other baked goodies available each weekend. There are some big plans ahead for the future.

"We're going to put in a big kitchen, have indoor dining and a little stage," Amy said. "I want it to be a place where everyone can come and be comfortable. I want to do everything homemade, not processed."

Opening their new space over Labor Day weekend, the business has been through the roof. People have been lining up an hour before opening to make sure

they can get a donut. Last weekend alone, Amy and Jim were open for just two hours before they sold out of the 400 donuts they had available.

"The community has embraced us," Amy said. "I've also had supporters from Los Angeles, San Diego and the desert communities. It's just been the best, most humbling experience for me."

As a nurse, Amy loved being able to take care of people, and she realized she can continue that passion through her love for cooking. Once the kitchen is built, she hopes to have café-type foods, Monday night football specials and more options other than baked goods.

"I want to continue to take care of people and make people happy with the food," Amy expressed.

If you're looking for a good donut, apple fritter or coffeecake, be sure to get there early. Amelia's Donuts and More is located at 54300 N. Circle Dr. They are open Thursday through Sunday starting at 9 a.m.



Enjoy a seat outside of Amelia's Donuts & More.
PHOTO BY AMY MCMAHON

Idyllwild Arts

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available to IAA students and the public. The benefit in this is IAA can reach a broader audience of people from all over the world for all ages.

“Everyone should have access to the arts,” Davis said. “Giving open access to Idyllwild Arts can allow both students and the public to have access. Some students couldn’t make it back to the academy, so this also allows them to stay connected to campus as well.”

The fall auxiliary workshops will be available for different age groups, the youngest starting at three years old in the children’s dance program.

There will be workshops in film & digital media, creative writing, dance, children’s theatre, music, visual arts and Native American arts.

Some of the classes within the theatre program will be acting and improvisation, acting with Shakespeare and children’s musical theatre.

Some of the music program classes will be Songwriting with a Purpose, Idyllwild Jazz in the Pines workshop, vocal and choral performance, and orchestra.

There will also be workshops on ceramics, painting and poetry.

Some of these classes are designed for children while others are focused on adults. There are a few classes that accept both teenagers and adults. Regardless of your age, there is something for everybody.

As a whole, IAA is trying to not only teach about art but support artists in learning how to use art as a vessel to process their feelings. Whether you’re a high school student, young child or adult, these unprecedented times are changing everyone.

Davis asked, “How do you process your feelings about what we’re going through? We are challenging these students to reflect that through these classes. Idyllwild Arts wants to inspire the global citizen artists, especially during this unique time we’re living through.”

There’s a financial benefit to offering these classes online. They are less expensive. Without the overhead of meals and housing, IAA can offer these classes while saving you money. IAA provides financial aid for some who need it.

“Without food and housing expenses when we offered financial aid, the pricing was different,” Davis said. “We have some financial aid that we can invest that will go further.”

With these workshops and classes, IAA will be able to offer classes year-round without much of a break between the academy year and the summer program, which has never been done before.

Thanks to technology, talented teachers and a passion for the arts, IAA will be year-round for everybody to enjoy.

To learn more about the courses, available workshops and to register, visit <https://www.idyllwildarts.org/fall-aux/>.

70 years ago - 1950

Plans for state riding and hiking trails received a boost when portions of the local trail system were inspected and found to be favorable.

65 years ago - 1955

Desert Sun School over Saunders Meadow Way reopened with one of the largest enrollments in its history.

60 years ago - 1960

It was proven that desert bighorn sheep inhabited the region surrounding the Banning-Idyllwild highway when a young ram almost blocked highway traffic.

55 years ago - 1965

Formation of the Pine Cove Property Owner’s Association was underway. The rapid growth of Pine Cove required the community to consider planning, zoning, fire protection, property evaluation and water development.

50 years ago - 1970

Eleanor and Jim Johnson decided to waive deed restrictions on the parcel of land purchased by the Idyllwild Fire Protection District in 1967, so that a new fire department and emergency first aid hospital could be erected.

45 years ago - 1975

The fifth Bluegrass Invitational in Idyllwild was a big success. More than 2,000 music fans attended and total gross receipts were estimated to be about \$4,700.

40 years ago - 1980

The Idyllwild School bus, carrying 52 students from Hemet High School to Idyllwild, was struck head-on by another vehicle. The driver of the vehicle and her son were taken to the hospital. The school children were transferred to another bus that brought them up the Hill.

35 years ago - 1985

William Lowman, Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts (ISOMATA, now Idyllwild Arts Academy) executive director, made the announcement during an address on “The Next Five Years at ISOMATA” that the school would soon become the first private residential high school for the arts in the western United States.

30 years ago - 1990

The Idyllwild School music program was expanding. Eleven advanced instrumentalists began partici-



Members of the Ecology Club took advantage of the crowds in town Saturday for the Bluegrass Festival and held a bake sale. Shown here from left: **Charlene Darisay, Colleen Prowse, Lynn Manning, Cherie Sawyer and Robin Mills.** The club is a private group started by some of the students at the Alternative School. Photo ran Oct. 2, 1975.

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pating in a newly-created jazz band.

25 years ago - 1995

A rock climber who was “free climbing” survived a 200-foot fall and a Marine Corps helicopter ferried him from the wilderness at the base of Tahquitz Peak.

20 years ago - 2000

Students, parents, teachers and dignitaries were on hand as Idyllwild School had its ground-breaking ceremony for the new school addition, 100% funded by Proposition 1-A, the state school facilities program.

15 years ago - 2005

The film “18 minutes” by Alexis Echavarria, late Idyllwild Arts Moving Pictures major, was screened at the 11th-annual Palm Springs International Film Festival of Short Films. It was the first IA film to be so honored.

10 years ago - 2010

Marsha Lytle, former principal and lifelong jazz aficionado, was to be the next jazz fest chair. Planning the 18th-annual Jazz in the Pines had already begun, she said, although the 17th-annual Jazz in the Pines, a fundraising event for student scholarships at Idyllwild Arts, was only a month ago.

5 years ago - 2015

The 2015 Idyllwild Earth Fair was permanently canceled.

1 year ago - 2019

The Idyllwild Renaissance Faire went into its second year moving the venue from the center of town to Camp Emerson Boy Scout Camp. Despite the fog and colder weather, many vendors, volunteers, patrons and a few four-legged animals came out to travel back to a time just as the peasants and nobility would have done during the Renaissance era.

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The first Town Crier issue of each month is when we publish our listing of Town Crier Members. You all are keeping a real newspaper serving our Hill community.

We know you appreciate that a newspaper is a community watchdog that publishes the bad with the good, warns of danger, advises of opportunity, challenges authority, praises accomplishment, investigates irregularity, marvels at art, exposes abuse, celebrates lives and

publishes its readers’ letters.

If a publication doesn’t do all of these things, it may be something else, but it’s not a newspaper.

The Town Crier covers the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, the Hemet Unified School District and other public agencies that are monitored by other newspapers, too. But the Town Crier is the sole watchdog of seven, separate public agencies servicing our Hill that are covered by no other media: Idyllwild Fire Protection District, the Idyllwild, Fern Valley, Pine Cove and Lake Hemet water districts, County Service Area 36 and the Idyllwild Historic Preservation District.

We attend their public meetings and report their activities back to you.

The directors and administrators who run these public agencies occasionally do not appreciate the Town Crier’s monitoring function, but that will not prevent us from performing our watchdog duties. Remember what they sometimes seem to forget: the directors and administrators do not own their public agencies — you do. Their directors, managers and employees work for you.

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