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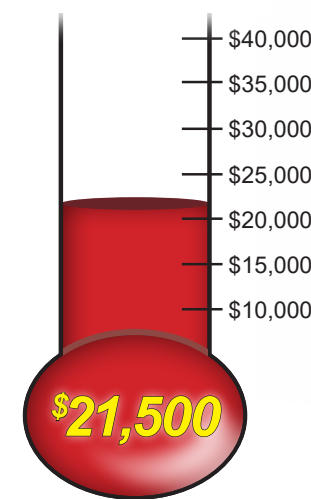
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Rotary supports ICC's Distance Learning Camp

By STEPHANIE YOST
IDYLLWILD COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD PRESIDENT

Rotary Club of Idyllwild donated \$3,900 to support Idyllwild Community Center's (ICC) distance learning camp at Town Hall.

The program, which began last fall and will last until school lets out, provides a very low-cost, socially-distanced location with adult support and supervision for about a dozen Idyllwild School students. Internet access is also provided.

The distance learning program requires double the staff as compared to ICC's regular after-school and holiday child care program due to the additional required academic and technical support. This means that ICC has been operating its distance learning program at a loss each month.

Rotary's donation, in addition to the generous donations of one part-time resident and another local family who have requested anonymity, significantly helps ICC offset the additional staffing costs. ICC is happy to serve families in our community with its distance learning camp and truly appreciates the support of Rotary and others who helped make this possible.

Longtime Idyllwild resident, film and TV actor Chris Pennock died at age 77

By LYNN PENNOCK
CONTRIBUTED

Chris Pennock first came to Idyllwild 40 years ago to rock climb with his stunt man. It was then that he fell in love with the beautiful surroundings of the Idyllwild mountains. Chris often came up on weekends to hike with friends.

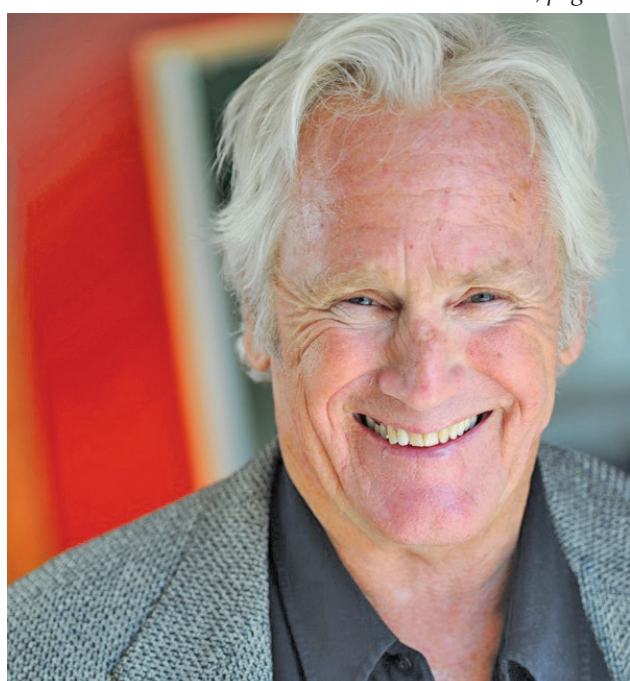
In 1988, he moved here to Idyllwild with his new wife Lynn and her two children, Jamila Dunn and CJ Dunn, thinking it was a great place to raise a family.

In 1989, the family with a new baby, Tara Pennock, moved to Princeton, New Jersey for one year where he starred on "Guiding Light" which filmed in New York City, the place where his acting career began.

In 1967, he appeared on Broadway in "The Rose Tattoo" and "A Patriot for Me." He then landed a role on the popular horror soap opera "Dark Shadows" where he played seven different roles. He touched the hearts of thousands of "Dark Shadows" fans throughout his life on social media and at festivals.

After moving to LA, he appeared in multiple guest star roles on nighttime television. He played Mitch

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Chris Pennock PHOTO COURTESY OF LYNN PENNOCK



Melissa Crosswhite from Lily of the Valley Floral was out Saturday selling flowers at the Easter Market in Oakwood Village.
PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Cal Fire brush pile burning:

Cal Fire will be conducting brush pile burning on 10 acres in the area of McGovern Road and the San Jacinto Truck Trail (SB 5S09), south of Alhatti Christian Resort Tuesday and Wednesday, April 6 and 7 from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The pile burning operation is part of a pre-fire plan to keep a major fire from moving into Pine Cove and provide safe ingress and egress for citizens, fire personnel and equipment.

Caltrans upgrade project:

Caltrans is performing an upgrade project on highways 74, 79 and 371. The project will upgrade 306 linear feet of bridge rail that meets current crash and safety standards, extend one box culvert, widen one bridge and replace another bridge to provide standard shoulder widths and sidewalks. Crews will be performing bridge barrier replacement and guardrail installation at the Cahuilla Creek Bridge near Anza, weather permitting through mid-April. One lane will be closed from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Ongoing lane closures at the Cahuilla Creek Bridge will be Monday through Friday from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Traffic control and flagging operations will be in effect at each end of the bridge. Expect delays of 15 to 20 minutes.

Search for Roy Prifogle moved to April 18

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

As of April 1, the planned search for Roy Prifogle has been changed from Saturday, April 17 to Sunday, April 18. Prifogle's daughter Kendra Johnson posted the change on her Facebook account April 1, asking for people's help in the search effort.

"The detective in charge told me that anyone can go out and search for Daddy on any day," Johnson wrote. "Ever since two weeks after Daddy went missing, they have changed their directive from restricting outer volunteers from searching to encouraging it. In other words, the sheriffs will take any help they can get."

The Town Crier reached out to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department media information bureau for updates on all four of the missing persons cases. Sgt. Deanna Pecoraro responded Monday morning, "We do not have any updates on our missing persons at this time."

Johnson and her family are looking for all the help they can get to find her father and encouraging people to stay safe if they do go out searching. The only directive Johnson has been given is for volunteers to avoid interfering with the organized search.

"So he [the detective] said to search outside of the area where the SAR [search and rescue] teams are already searching on that day," Johnson wrote. "When they let me know the search area, I will make another post. I believe the more the merrier. I am always happy to hear that others want to find him."

Prifogle went missing in March 2020, and after multiple attempts to locate him early on, he has yet to be found.

"My family and I would love for anyone to go out hiking on April 18," Johnson said. "Make sure to bring water, good shoes and a buddy. We don't want more people getting lost! Once again, thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone that wants to help us find some answers."

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COVID-19 LOCAL UPDATE:
Newsom says state can fully reopen
June 15 if two criteria are met

By MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ
EDITOR

Gov. Gavin Newsom announced Tuesday “On June 15, California will fully open its economy if two criteria are met:

- If vaccine supply is sufficient for Californians 16 years and older who wish to be inoculated; and
- If hospitalization rates are stable and low.”

The entire state will move into the new phase and the state will revisit the June 15 date, if needed. Riverside County entered the orange tier Tuesday.

The New York Times reported April 1, “The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Thursday walked back controversial comments made by its director, Dr. Rochelle P. Walensky, suggesting that people who are vaccinated against the coronavirus never become infected or transmit the virus to others.

“The assertion called into question the precautions that the agency had urged vaccinated people to take just last month, like wearing masks and gathering only under limited circumstances with unvaccinated people.

““Dr. Walensky spoke broadly during this interview,’ an agency spokesman told The Times. ‘It’s possible that some people who are fully vaccinated could get COVID-19. The evidence isn’t clear whether they can spread the virus to others. We are continuing to evaluate the evidence.’

“The agency was responding in part to criticism from scientists who noted that current research was far from sufficient to claim that vaccinated people cannot spread the virus.”

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention defines vaccine as “A product that stimulates a person’s immune system to produce immunity to a specific disease, protecting the person from that disease. Vaccines are usually ad-

ministered through needle injections, but can also be administered by mouth or sprayed into the nose.”

For more information on the COVID-19 shot, visit www.rivcoph.org/COVID-19-Vaccine or call 2-1-1. Seniors can call the Riverside County Office on Aging at 800-510-2020. Residents can sign up to get the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 shot at Idyllwild School from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 17 for phase 1A, 1B, individuals between the ages of 18 and 64 with underlying medical conditions and individuals 50 and over. To register visit, <https://www.caprepmod.org/reg/7962119870>.

For rental assistance, visit <https://www.unitedlift.org/>. Supervisor Chuck Washington’s office let residents know “the program will provide one-time rental assistance support to cover up to 12 months of unpaid rent during the period between March 13, 2020, until the time of application, plus an additional three months of future rent. Eligibility is limited to renters in Riverside County with a current lease agreement who are earning 80% or below of the area’s median income and can document a loss of income due to COVID-19 economic impacts that leave them unable to make their rent. Assistance is provided without regard to immigration status.”

For information on SBA’s assistance to small businesses, visit sba.gov/ppp or treasury.gov/cares. To contact the county of Riverside’s Business and Community Services department, call 951-955-0493 or send an email to bizinfo@rivco.org for local assistance.

The Hemet Unified School District (HUSD) Board approved “the instructional model and timeline to return to hybrid in-person instruction.” However, students may elect to stay in the full online model.

Students in grades preschool to second grade returned to on-site instruction March 29. Grades three through five will return April 12. Middle school students in sixth grade will return April 12 and grades seven and eight will return April 19. High school students in ninth grade will return April 12 and grades 10 to 12 will return April 19. The district is on spring break the week of April 5.

Visit the U.S. Department of Labor’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration’s (OSHA) website at <https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs>, to become familiar with the laws and regulations pertaining to personal protective equipment, including what is mandatory with regards to respirators, etc.

According to the Riverside University Health System – Public Health (RUHS) website, the area of Idyllwild-Pine Cove has a total of 114 reported COVID-19 cases since the outbreak and two deaths reported. One hundred and nine of the 114 people have recovered.

As of press time on April 6, Riverside County has 295,631 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 4,417 deaths related to COVID-19 and 288,924 people have recovered. One hundred and two individuals are being hospitalized, and of those, 21 are in the ICU. The county’s positivity rate is 2.0%. The current adjusted case rate per 100,000 is 3.5. The county is reporting that 18.1% of its population has received the full dose of the COVID-19 shot.

As of press time on March 30, Riverside County had 294,063 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 4,273 deaths related to COVID-19 and 286,949 people had recovered. One hundred and twenty individuals were being hospitalized, and of those, 31 were in the ICU. The county’s positivity rate was 2.7%. The current adjusted case rate per 100,000 was 4.8. The county was reporting that 16.2% of its population had received the full dose of the COVID-19 shot.

As of press time on March 23, Riverside County had 293,149 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 4,141 deaths related to COVID-19 and 285,805 people had recovered. One hundred and forty-five individuals were being hospitalized, and of those, 31 were in the ICU. The county’s positivity rate was 3.3%. The current adjusted case rate per 100,000 was 6.1. The county was reporting that 10.7% of its population had received the full dose of the COVID-19 shot.

To date, 2,758,236 total tests have been given for COVID-19 in Riverside County, according to RUHS. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Riverside County has an estimated population of 2.47 million.

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.
To take a PCR swab test, visit GetTested.ruhealth.org or call 800-945-6171 to make an appointment. For more testing options, visit <https://covid19.ca.gov/get-tested/>.

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. For WIC assistance, visit www.rivhero.com.
Food boxes are available through Mountain Communities Mutual Aid. Orders must be placed by noon Wednesdays for Thursday distribution. Visit www.mountainaid.net for more details and to place an order.
HUSD will serve students supper, lunch and breakfast at no charge for students enrolled in the district at Hamilton School, Idyllwild School and Hemet High (3:30 to 5 p.m. only) from 6 to 7 a.m. and from 3:30 to 5 p.m. every other Wednesday beginning March 17. Two meal boxes will be distributed.

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

Schools update
The Hemet Unified School District (HUSD) and Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) began the 2020/21 school year with distance learning.
IAA students returned to campus Oct. 1. For more information and an update, visit idyllwildarts.org.

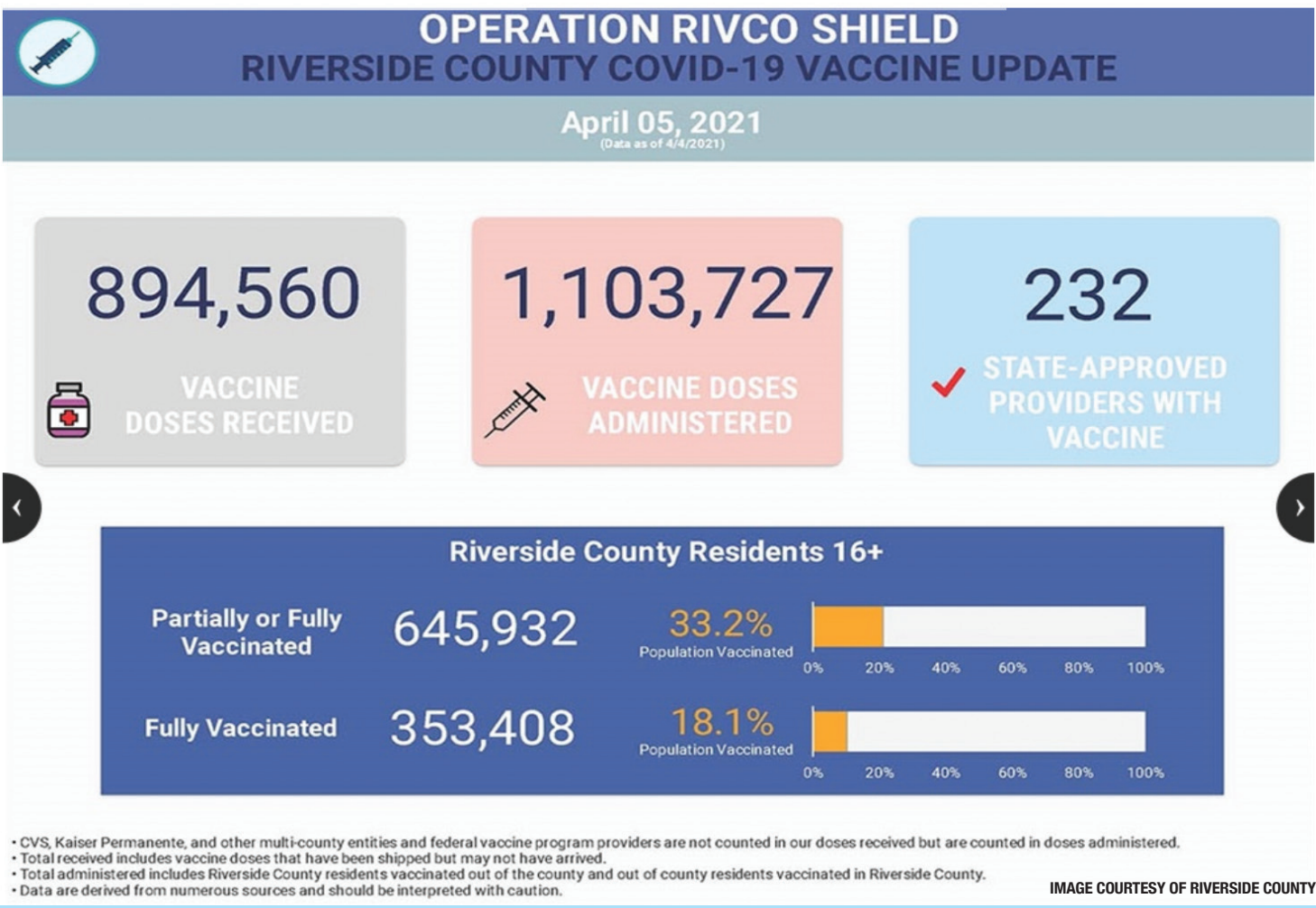
The HUSD board previously decided the district would continue with the online learning model through the end of the 2020/21 school year. However, the board recently approved “the instructional model and timeline to return to hybrid in-person instruction.”

The timeline is as follows: Students in grades preschool to second grade returned March 29 and grades three through five will return April 12. Middle school students in sixth grade will return April 12 and grades seven and eight will return April 19. High school students in ninth grade will return April 12 and grades 10 to 12 will return April 19.

For more information, visit www.hemetusd.org/apps/pages/parentcommunications.
HUSD provides mobile hot spots. However, it re-

alized 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 Town Hall and the other at Lake Hemet — 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).



Three collisions on highways

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Three collisions occurred on highways 74 and 243 over the last week and a half, according to California Highway Patrol Public Information Officer Matt Napier.

On March 28 at 8:40 a.m., James Robert Phillips, 72 of Hemet, was driving his silver 1999 Honda Accord southbound on Highway 243 north of Saunders Meadow Road at approximately 30 mph. For unknown reasons, Phillips drove onto the dirt shoulder, striking a large asphalt berm. His vehicle was towed

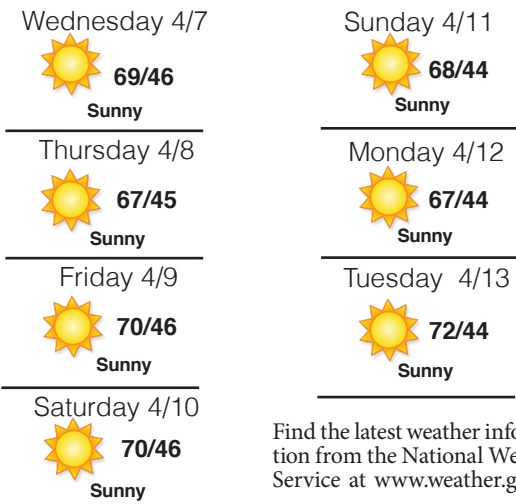
by Idyllwild Garage. He complained of head pain but was not transported by emergency personnel.

On April 2 at 10:20 p.m., Mario Russell Steward, 24 of Hemet, was driving his white 1989 GMC Jimmy westbound on Highway 74 just west of Dry Creek at an unknown rate of speed. Steward was unable to negotiate a right-hand turn. He traveled off the roadway onto the dirt shoulder and into a drainage ditch, colliding with rock in the ditch and overturning. Steward was driven to Hemet Global Medical Center by an unidentified person with cuts to the face, swelling and complaint of pain. Steward was arrested on sus-

picion of DUI and his vehicle was towed by Idyllwild Garage.

On April 3 at 2:55 p.m., Dennis Blaise Farrell, 67 of Palm Desert, was riding his red 1994 Harley-Davidson Electra Glide eastbound on Highway 74 just west of Apple Canyon Road. Farrell was unable to negotiate a right-hand curve causing him to continue straight, lose control and overturn on the right side of the motorcycle. Farrell was ejected from the motorcycle. He suffered minor injuries and was transported by Idyllwild Fire to Desert Regional Medical Center. His motorcycle was towed by Idyllwild Garage.

Idyllwild Weather
From the National Weather Service



Idyllwild this year					
Date	High	Low	M	S	
03/30	70	36	0.00	0.0	
03/31	74	37	0.00	0.0	
04/01	74	40	0.00	0.0	
04/02	73	39	0.00	0.0	
04/03	74	36	0.00	0.0	
04/04	77	42	0.00	0.0	
04/05	71	50	0.00	0.0	

Idyllwild last year					
Date	High	Low	M	S	
03/30	62	28	0.00	0.0	
03/31	66	37	0.00	0.0	
04/01	66	42	0.00	0.0	
04/02	57	40	0.00	0.0	
04/03	58	29	0.00	0.0	
04/04	59	33	0.00	0.0	
04/05	55	32	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 weath-

er 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.



Temperatures hovered in the low-60s throughout the day Tuesday.

PHOTO BY MANDY JOHNSON

Forest Service requests comments

By MELISSA DIAZ HERNANDEZ
EDITOR

Officials with San Bernardino National Forest (SBNF) are requesting comments by April 25 regarding a communications use lease to a private company. “The Forest Service proposes to designate the Mountain Center Communications Site and issue a communications use lease to Renegade Towers, LLC, as a facility manager for: the construction, operation and maintenance of a cellular/wireless communication facility,” the agency wrote in the scope packet.

The proposed site is west of Mountain Center “adjacent to an existing power line off Highway 74 near McGaugh Road. The approximate latitude, longitude is 33.703774°, -116.741676°.”

SBNF is requesting public comment “to help identify key issues, mitigation measures and analyze effects of this proposed action. Forest managers are asking the public to be as specific as possible.”

For more information regarding the project, visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56971>. Contact Heidi Hoggan, project lead, at heidi.hoggan@usda.gov or 760-285-9950 for a paper copy. Included in the packet is “There is a need to provide wireless communications coverage in the area between Mountain Center and Valle Vista in the interest of public safety and general communications. The desired future condition is improved wireless communications, material reduction of ‘dead zones,’ increased effectiveness and convenience, and reliable and available emergency services.”

SBNF asks that “Scoping – Mountain Center Communications Site” be in the subject line if you send comments by email. If you cannot submit comments via email, fax your comments to 951-659-2107 or mail them to:

US Forest Service
Attn: Heidi Hoggan
P.O. Box 518, Idyllwild, CA 92549

SBNF gave the newspaper the email for Robert MacLachlan of Vista Towers. The newspaper asked MacLachlan the plans for the proposed project, such as whether or not 5G is in the plan either now or in the future. Michael Miller, also of Vista Towers, sent the following response.

“Currently, the tower sites use mid-band frequency and operate on low power under their 4G operations.

“While the carriers will end up calling their entire network ‘5G,’ 5G really means the inclusion of, ‘small cells,’ within their network. Small Cells will really only be deployed in certain dense urban, convention

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California State Parks seeking rangers and lifeguards to ‘Live the Parks Life’

By CALIFORNIA STATE PARKS
CONTRIBUTED

California State Parks invites individuals to “Live the Parks Life” as rangers and lifeguards in the nation’s largest state park system.

For more than 150 years, rangers and lifeguards have worked closely with the state’s network of local, state and federal law enforcement agencies to protect visitors to California’s State Park System and surrounding communities. The rangers and lifeguards provide not only public safety law enforcement and aquatic rescue services, but they also provide public education through interpretation and protect natural and cultural resources. Their offices are located in or near beaches, deserts, lakes, historic landmarks and state vehicular recreation areas.

“I am proud to lead a department that continues to adapt, problem solve and deliver critical services for the visiting public even during a worldwide pandemic,” said California State Parks Director Armando Quintero. “Collectively, we are helping keep people safe and the State Park System healthy. I invite you to ‘Live the Parks Life’ and make a long-lasting impact on the lives of Californians and the great outdoors.”

The 2022 State Park Peace Officer (SPPO) Cadet Academy continues to operate in person under new COVID-19 safety guidelines. Applications for the academy opened Thursday, April 1. All interested applicants must mail an official state application by Tuesday, June 15. Successful applicants will be sent notification to attend the eight-month long Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certified law enforcement academy.

The academy instruction prepares cadets physically, mentally and emotionally to enter the workforce as a ranger or lifeguard. Cadets will learn how to assist visitors, run interpretive programs and actively protect park resources. Training also includes how to conduct investigations, make physical arrests, use firearms and perform emergency responses.

The entire selection process for becoming a ranger or lifeguard takes 15 to 18 months. The first step in the selection/examination process is to mail an application during the open application period. The application is used to determine if the candidate meets the minimum qualifications for admission into the examination, which consists of the POST Entry Level Law Enforcement Test Battery (PELLETB) written exam. This exam is used to admit the candidate into the next phases of the selection process which include the Physical Agility Test (PAT), background investigation, oral interview and the medical and psychological evaluations.

Below are some frequently asked questions regarding the

SPPO Cadet Academy:

- **What are some of the COVID-19 safety procedures being taken at the academy to assure the safety of cadets?** The SPPO Cadet Academy complies with all California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Butte County and Butte Community College COVID-19 safety procedures including, but not limited to, social distancing, adjusting break times, providing masks, additional cleaning routines, education, health checks, signage and more. Academy staff are committed to providing a safe learning environment for future rangers and lifeguards while protecting the health and safety of the entire community.
- **What is the age minimum and age maximum to apply?** Candidates must be at least 18 years of age to become a peace officer. SPPO mandatory retirement age is 65 years, but there is no maximum application age.
- **I have not completed two years of college yet. Can I still apply while I am still taking classes?** Candidates may be enrolled in college at the time of application but must have at least 21 units of general education credits satisfying general education curriculum standards with courses (which may include courses in natural science, social science, mathematics, language and humanities). By the time of appointment, a candidate must have completed 60 semester units of study at a state-accredited college or university. A degree in park administration, natural sciences, social sciences, law enforcement or a related field is desirable.
- **Where is the Cadet Academy located?** Most cadets attend training at Butte College Law Enforcement Academy in Butte County. However, the department may utilize several academy sites including Mott Training Center at Asilomar in Pacific Grove, South Bay Regional Public Safety Academy at Fort Ord in Monterey and the Ben Clark Law Enforcement Training facility in Riverside. It is at the department’s discretion to determine an academy location for each class.
- **Do I get paid while at the academy?** Yes, cadets earn a salary. At this time, the monthly salary range is \$3,741 to \$5,045. Most cadets start at the low end of the range unless they are a current state employee with a salary within the range.

To hire a workforce reflective of California’s diverse population, California State Parks is committed to ensuring equal access and connecting all job seekers to opportunities through fair hiring and employment practices. For more information on the cadet academy, minimum qualifications, frequently asked questions and a timeline of the recruitment cycle, visit www.LiveTheParksLife.com.

Send questions regarding other employment opportunities at California State Parks to the Workforce Planning and Recruitment Office at recruiting@parks.ca.gov.

Plans for protecting California this fire season

By JENNY KIRCHNER
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER

Wildfires are always on the mind of those who call California home. Last year was the worst fire season on record, surpassing previous devastating years. In January 2021, Gov. Gavin Newsom proposed a \$1-billion budget to protect Californian’s from the devastation of wildfires. This is also known as the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan.

The goal behind this plan is to complete projects on 500,000 acres annually between now and 2025. How that is done depends on the topography, risks and conditions of each individual area, but it will all be to prevent the likelihood of devastating wildfires before they can start in the first place. Part of those project plans would be taking actions like creating fuel breaks around communities that are more vulnerable to wildfires and helping create better defensible space and preparedness planning before the season arrives.



Free COVID-19 testing by Curative was available Friday in front of the Idyllwild Library. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



According to the Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department, a residential structure fire was reported at 12:07 a.m. Sunday at the 52000 block of Sylvan Way in Pine Cove. When fire personnel arrived, the structure, a single-family residence, was fully involved with fire. Firefighters contained the fire at 12:29 a.m. According to Riverside County Fire Department Public Information Officer **Tawny Cabral**, one patient was transported by AMR with moderate injuries to a nearby hospital. The cause of the fire is under investigation. Another fire was reported at 5:14 a.m. Monday at the 25000 block of Nestwa Trail in Pine Cove. No injuries were reported and the fire is still under investigation. PHOTO BY RYLAN HARDY

On March 30, Newsom said, “In California, climate change is making the hots hotter and the dries drier, leaving us with world record-breaking temperatures and devastating wildfires threatening our communities.”

Newsom approved \$80.74 million through Emergency Fund authorization. This will allow nearly 1,400 firefighters with Cal Fire to manage and plan the clearance of heavy fuels and be the boots on the ground when the next wildfire strikes. An additional 24 seasonal firefighters through the California National Guard will help support Cal Fire’s fuels management work.

“We aren’t just waiting for the next crisis to hit — this funding will support our heroic firefighters to save lives as they work to prevent and tackle destructive wildfires,” Newsom said.

With this Emergency Funding, there will also be 1,256 seasonal firefighters who will provide eight understaffed crews with the staff they need to handle the heavy response when the season hits. In addition, 12 new Cal Fire crews will be created as well as six season-

al and six new permanent Conservation Corps crews.

A big part of wildfire fighting is air attack, including all the behind-the-scenes efforts that come with doing it successfully. With this Emergency Funding, 119 firefighters will be trained and added to the air attack fleet by May 2021.

According to the press release, this includes the orientation and operations of the new S-70i helicopter to operate from four Cal Fire helitack bases. There will be improvement on the technology to support incident base camp operations and improvements to website traffic management, which will improve transparency and accuracy of information for the public.

The press release reads: “Building on significant investments in the state’s firefighting capabilities, the Governor’s budget also proposes \$143 million General Fund to support 30 new fire crews, and also includes \$48 million to continue phasing in the S-70i helicopters and large air tankers.”

With fire season right around the corner, preparation is always the best solution to potential problems.



Idyllwild Rotarians at work cleaning up our beautiful idyllic community. From left, **Chuck Weisbart, Steve Espinoza, Dave Cutter, Tom Kluzak and Thom Wallace.** PHOTO BY YGNACIO GARCIA

SPOTLIGHT ON LEADERSHIP

PRESENTED BY THE ASSOCIATES OF IDYLLWILD ARTS

Ellen Rosa Taylor

Chair of the Dance Department at Idyllwild Arts

“Dancing Behind the Mask”

Monday, April 12, 10am

ZOOM invitation: <https://idyllwildarts.zoom.us/j/91332026254>

ASSOCIATES OF IDYLLWILD ARTS FOUNDATION

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How to get a letter published

The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions.

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 - 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
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Local assessments an option if statewide tests aren't viable during pandemic, California officials signal

By SYDNEY JOHNSON
EDSOURCE

This story was updated on April 4 with more information from the California State Board of Education. California education officials have been told verbally that the state may not need to submit a waiver application to the U.S. Department of Education, thus opening the door for more flexibility this spring when it comes to standardized testing, as school districts continue to navigate reopening plans during the pandemic. As vaccinations have ramped up and cases of Covid-19 have declined across the state, many California schools have started bringing back groups of students for in-person instruction. One part of the reopening puzzle recently has been how and when to administer statewide standardized tests, which in February the U.S. Department of Education said would be required.

Last spring, federal and state education officials removed the requirement that states had to test all students in their academic standards using statewide assessments like the Smarter Balanced tests in math and English language arts. But no such waiver was offered in 2021.

In lieu of a blanket waiver, the U.S. Department of Education this year said that states could apply for other ways to potentially ease the burden of testing this school year.

On April 2, State Board of Education President Linda Darling Hammond and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond sent a letter to Ian Rosenblum, the deputy assistant secretary handling this matter, asking for written confirmation of conversations that California would not need a general waiver for it to proceed with its academic testing plan. Ultimately, U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona would have to approve the decision.

Also on Friday, State Board of Education officials briefed state legislative aides and others in the education community about the likelihood of districts being able to use alternative assessments this year.

California's plan would still offer the state's Smarter Balanced assessments in mathematics and English language arts, the California Science Test, as well as tests for English learners and other special populations.

But in situations where it is not viable for districts to administer those assessments due to challenges such as assuring Covid-19 safety or broadband limitations while students are at home, the policy would also permit school districts to select their own assessments if they met a set of criteria prescribed by the state.

These assessments would have to be aligned with Common Core state standards; be available to assess students in grades 3-8 and 11; be uniformly administered across a grade span, school or district; and provide disaggregated results for parents, educators and the public.

It is not yet clear whether alternatives to the science test would be permitted.

California has already submitted a waiver request for other flexibilities, such as extending the timeline for all tests until July 30 and removing the consequences of having less than 95% participation, to the U.S. Department of Education for approval, according to Linda Darling-Hammond, president of the State Board of Education. Because those flexibilities along these lines were suggested by the federal officials in guidance issued on February 22, and have been agreed to in conversations with them, it is likely that the state will receive approval, state officials said.

Darling-Hammond previously headed President Joe Biden's transition team for education before his inauguration.

Some states, including New York, requested blanket waivers to remove any obligation for standardized testing, but the Biden administration has said no to that (<https://www.chalkbeat.org/2021/3/26/22353209/state-testing-cancellations-waivers-biden-department-education>).

In March, California's State Board of Education approved (<https://www.cde.ca.gov/nr/ne/yr21/yr-21rel18.asp>) its plan to seek a waiver that would allow districts to choose a diagnostic, benchmark or other interim assessment where it is not viable to administer

the state summative assessments and laid out its criteria for alternatives.

And last November, the state board approved a shortened version of the Smarter Balanced math and English language arts tests. Remote proctoring tools were also built into the Smarter Balanced testing system.

The California State Board of Education did not submit a general waiver with the local assessment options because it was told by Secretary Cardona's office that it would not be necessary given the state still has plans to offer the statewide Smarter Balanced assessments, according to Brooks Allen, executive director of the State Board of Education.

After the U.S. Department of Education responds to the state's request, California school districts will receive communication from the California Department of Education with more information about what will be accepted, Allen said.

In the meantime, many districts have moved ahead with their own plans for assessing students.

As of March 17, nearly 14,000 English language arts and 8,000 mathematics Smarter Balanced assessments were underway. In addition, 11,000 California Science Tests are underway and 9,200 are completed, according to Mao Vang, director for the Assessment Development and Administration Division at the California Department of Education.

Fresno Unified School District in the Central Valley moved forward with plans to use the Smarter Balanced tests, but keeping its local assessment choice, i-Ready, as a top choice if the Smarter Balanced test isn't a viable option for the district. The district has already been using i-Ready assessments throughout the pandemic to check in on students and provide academic feedback to parents.

There, administrators were preparing for both the Smarter Balanced test and i-Ready, and Scherrer said they would prefer to use i-Ready because the district has already grown familiar with it in a distance learning setting.

"When Covid hit and we had to close, i-Ready was already in our system, and we were able to pivot to use those diagnostics. That's been really helpful having a constant temperature check on where students are in both ELA and mathematics," said Andrew Scherrer, executive director of equity and access at Fresno Unified.

Other districts, including West Contra Costa Unified in the East Bay Area, have been reluctant to move forward with any testing plans while the waiver was still in limbo and cases of Covid-19 in some local communities remained high. Many districts struggled to nail down a plan for assessing students who could be either learning from home or in person.

"Right now we are just focused on the ELPAC (English Language Proficiency Assessments for California), and that is landing with mixed reviews," Rubén Aurelio, chief academic officer for West Contra Costa Unified, said in early March referring to California's English language proficiency test for English learners.

"We question the validity of the assessments in this environment of course, but we are doing it."

California school districts won't be limited to a specific set of tests to choose from, but selected assessments must meet a set of criteria, including being aligned to the state's academic standards. Results would also have to be made public, regardless of the tests that are used.

About 77% of school districts said they used one of five local assessments during the 2020-21 school year already, according to a survey conducted in March by the California Department of Education, which reached 969 districts. Those include Star Assessments by Renaissance, i-Ready by Curriculum Associates, Measures of Academic Progress by NWEA, FastBridge by Illuminate Education and Reading Inventory by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

While many parents, researchers and education advocacy groups have applauded the U.S. Department of Education's decision to require standardized testing this year, other groups such as the California Teachers Association have pushed back. Many have raised concerns about the validity of data collected after a traumatizing year, and while many students remain in a mix of reopening scenarios.

Allen said he shares concerns that the data could

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By JACK CLARK
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Scholarship for local students

The Idyllwild Scholarship Fund board is requesting community donations to support scholarships for Idyllwild area 2021 high school graduates.

To be eligible, a student must have resided in the Idyllwild School attendance area with a parent or guardian for at least three or more years during grades K-8 and for two of the four high school years.

Academic requirements are as follows: an attainment of a 2.5 GPA or a combined SAT score of 1052 (or ACT of 20). Other considerations would be involvement in school or community activities and a demonstration of intent to further his/her education.

Applicants must fill out a packet, write an essay and appear in a virtual interview for the selection committee. The committee is made up of representatives from local organizations, two members at-large and Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer.

Pick up application packets from a high school counselor, at Idyllwild School's front office or at www.idyllwildscholarshipfund.org.

Packets are due by 4 p.m. Friday, April 23 to Idyllwild School.

Donations may be sent to Idyllwild Scholarship Fund at P.O. Box 778, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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be a misrepresentation if districts use different assessments or participation rate is lower, but overall he was pleased that the state may not require a waiver. But so far, the state has not been asked to provide a measure of comparability between districts, he said.

"When we look at all of this we want to make sure we have meaningful information, valid and reliable information about where students are," Allen said. "The path that's been carved forward provides the opportunity to do that."

To read the original story, visit <https://edsource.org/2021/california-school-districts-get-ok-to-choose-local-assessments-over-statewide-tests-this-spring/652435>.

Forest Service

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center, airport and even for 'crowded' traffic intersections. Small cells work on ultra high band frequency... and only cover about 150 feet or so in any direction. They are small boxes, with one or two small antennas, and are placed on light poles or sides of buildings at about 20 feet in height. The carriers usually deploy a bunch of them in a crowded area to handle the extra capacity created by crowds of people. All the tower sites are still going to be the same – operating on the mid band frequencies at the same low power. No difference. But the entire network will be called 5G.

"Hope this helps. The above is my understanding after talking to industry engineers ... if I learn different or new info, I will update you."

The company proposed this project in the past.

Verizon writes the following about 5G on its website: "A discussion around 5G technology is really a discussion about delivering life-changing technologies through next-generation networks. And Verizon has the engineering experience and partnerships to move huge amounts of data at significantly faster speeds than before.

"This is all predicated on work we began years ago to 'densify' our 4G LTE network with small cell sites in high traffic areas — places like shopping centers and college campuses, as well as downtown areas. Thanks to these improvements, as well as using millimeter wave spectrum and deploying a massive fiber network, we've been able to introduce Verizon 5G Ultra Wideband — a technology that we expect will revolutionize industries and provide immediate impact for customers — faster and more efficiently."



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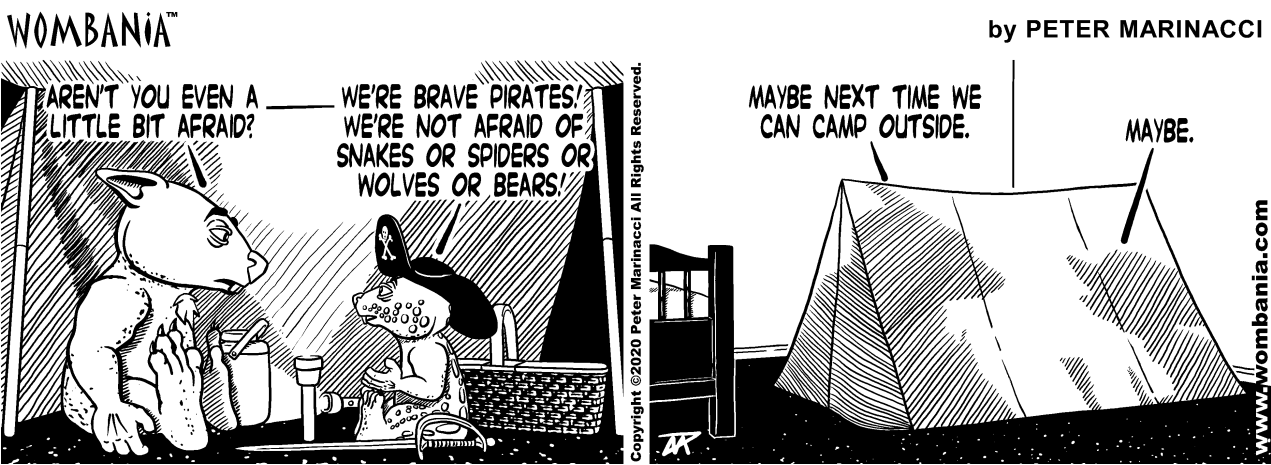
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Missing persons

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Four people remain missing

Eight people have gone missing in the area since March of last year and four remain missing.

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

The newspaper was told, “They were conducting follow-up searches for Melissa Lane.”

While it was unclear exactly where on the mountain deputies were searching for Lane, it was also confirmed that the search didn’t provide any further information or evidence of where Lane may have gone missing.

Lane, 41 at the time she went missing, was last seen June 15, according to a poster that was displayed in the Mountain Center area. The Town Crier spoke to Kathy Lamont, Lane’s mother, right after she was reported missing.

“She was an avid hiker but didn’t have a destination,” Lamont said. “She was last seen in Pine Cove. I don’t know if she’s dead or alive.”

In December 2020, Lane’s cousin Todd Gilliland told the Town Crier, “I miss her a lot. I wish we would get some kind of word about her. It’s nerve racking.”

Outside of the search for Lane, the community has not received any updates on the other three missing people. Friends, family and the community have been left in the dark.

Prifogle was reported missing after going on a hike in the Pine Cove area Wednesday, March 4,

2020. He left home at about 1 p.m. and was last seen at the Pine Cove Market at 6:30 p.m. 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 was 65 years old at the time she went missing. She is 5’ 5” tall, 130 pounds with blonde hair and blue eyes. She was last seen wearing a black and turquoise jacket, yellow shirt and blue jeans.

On June 6, Abrams was last seen by her self-proclaimed live-in boyfriend Keith Harper at her ranch in Apple Canyon (between Mountain Center and Garner Valley). Since the initial search efforts eight months ago, the RCSD has not provided new information or updates regarding her disappearance despite weekly inquiries from the Town Crier.

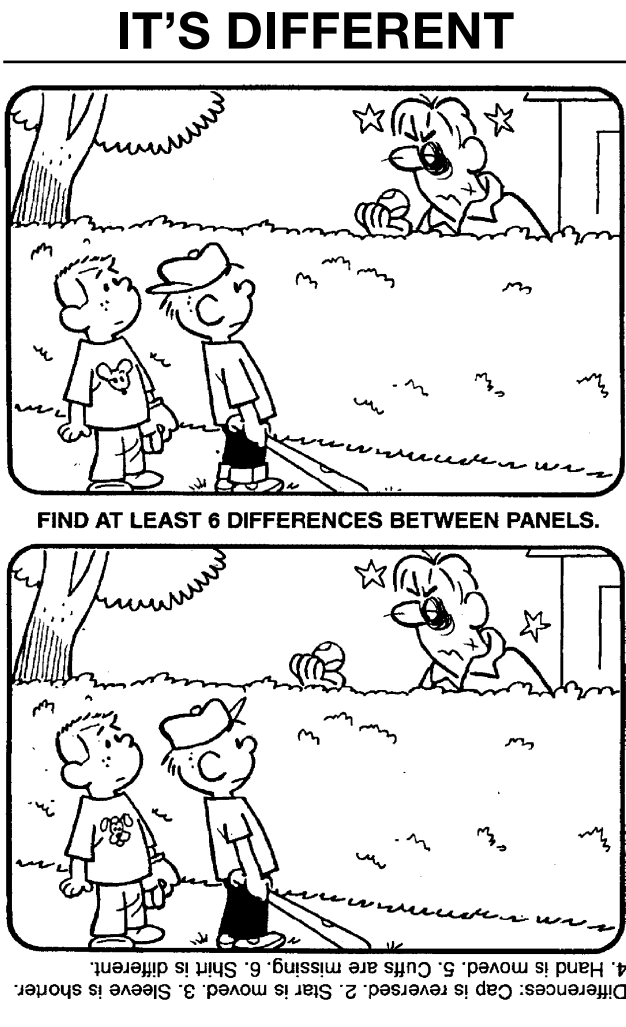
David Gottfredson, investigative producer from News 8 out of San Diego, has also been following the case since the beginning. In a recent broadcast, Gottfredson reported that News 8 and drone pilot Steve Jensen made their way out to Grand Wash Cliffs in Arizona to do some searching of their own.

Gottfredson and Jensen spent multiple hours over a two-day period searching the cliffs and surrounding area for remains or clothing that match what Abrams was last reported wearing. Unfortunately, they didn’t find anything.

According to Gottfredson’s story, Harper was in the Grand Wash Cliffs area a few weeks before Abrams went missing. He owns about 85 acres of land. While Harper lived with Abrams at her ranch, two days after she went missing, Harper left the state, driving through Arizona to get to New Mexico.

Gottfredson reported that the San Juan County Sheriff in New Mexico obtained a search warrant and deputies impounded the RV Harper drove to New Mexico taking evidence from inside. However, the RCSD has not provided any persons of interest or suspects regarding Abrams or any of the other missing people.

According to RMRU, their team of volunteers was dispatched to Abrams’ 160-acre ranch in the Apple Canyon area June 9. They



Chris Pennock

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during the Luke and Laura period of “General Hospital.” He appeared in “Frances,” an Academy Award-nominated film opposite Jessica Lang.

In Idyllwild, Chris raised his family with Lynn and commuted to LA to act on “Baywatch,” “Melrose Place” and other TV shows. He was a lifetime member of the famed Actors Studio.

In the last 15 years, Chris enjoyed acting in student films at Idyllwild Arts Academy and reading poetry at Beat Night. He stayed busy doing plays at The Actors Studio, doing the web series “High” for Bandon Miller and multiple films for Ansel Faraj. He was often seen on the Scenic Trail hiking or running with his dog Boris, and later, his dog Yogi.

Yahoo news quoted his wife Lynn as saying, “On Feb. 12, Chris Pennock, a lifelong Buddhist, passed peacefully into the pure land of Dewachen leaving only a rainbow body behind.”

He was a member of KML (Idyllwild Dharma Center), the local Tibetan Buddhist Sangha, where a tree will be planted in his honor.

He will be terribly missed by friends and family alike.



Melissa Lane
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Roy Prifogle
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Lydia 'Dia' Abrams
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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, Apr. 7**
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild, 9 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
 - Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Garner Valley Women's Group, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.

NEWS OF RECORD

Idyllwild Fire

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District recently responded to the following calls.

- Mar. 28 — Medical aid, 7:15 p.m. Highway 74.
- Mar. 28 — Gas leak, 7:36 p.m. Glen Rd.
- Mar. 29 — Walk-in medical aid, 1:45 p.m.
- Mar. 29 — Medical aid, 5:35 p.m. Live Oak Dr.
- Mar. 29 — Public service assist, 5:49 p.m. N. Circle Dr.
- Mar. 29 — Special type of incident, 8:06 p.m. Country Club Dr.
- Mar. 30 — Walk-in medical aid, 11:50 a.m.
- Mar. 30 — Medical aid, 12:01 p.m. N. Circle Dr.
- Mar. 30 — Medical assist, 2:07 p.m. N. Circle Dr.
- April 1 — Walk-in medical assist, 11:20 a.m.
- April 1 — Walk-in medical

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Al-Anon, 5-6 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
- AA Emotional Sobriety, 6-7 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.
- Co-dependents Anonymous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

- Thursday, Apr. 8**
- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous women, open, 10 a.m. Center for Spiritual Living, Courtyard building, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.
 - AA meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - Idyllwild Community Meditation, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for information.

- Friday, Apr. 9**
- Free community Mat Pilates classes, 9 a.m. Call 760-200-

- 5757 for information & directions.
- AA, Daily Reflections, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - Women's Writing Group with fellow writers, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523
 - Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.

- Saturday, Apr. 10**
- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - American Legion Auxiliary meeting, 10 a.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous 5:30 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.

- Sunday, Apr. 11**
- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Course in Miracles discussion, 9 a.m. Call Karin at 951-973-8651 for location.
 - Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma

- Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting, noon-1 p.m. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Highway 243.
 - Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.

- Monday, Apr. 12**
- Women's Pickleball, 9-11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
 - Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation meeting, 10 a.m. Zoom link is <https://idyllwildarts.zoom.us/j/91332026254>.
 - AA, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - Grief Support Group, 4-5 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
 - American Legion dinner, 5-6 p.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
 - Overeaters Anonymous, 5-6 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous men, 6-7 p.m. Center for Spiritual

Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.

- Tuesday, Apr. 13**
- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 N. Circle Dr.
 - Tai Chi, 10-11 a.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood.
 - Feeding America, noon-1 p.m. Calvary Chapel Mountain Center, 29430 Highway 243, Mountain Center.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 951-659-8321.
 - Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.
 - AA Grapevine, 5:30 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54246 Ridgeview Dr.
 - Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.

- Wednesday, Apr. 14**
- Coed Pickleball, 9-11 a.m.

- Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243.
- Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
 - Pine Cove Water District board meeting, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
 - La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 951-659-8321.
 - Community Church Guild, noon. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 N. Circle Dr.
 - Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - Al-Anon, 5-6 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
 - Idyllwild Chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby, 6 p.m. Zoom link will be sent to those who sign up at <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/>.
 - AA Emotional Sobriety, 6-7 p.m. Center for Spiritual Living, 54240 Ridgeview Dr.
 - Co-dependents Anonymous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

assist, 1:08 p.m.

- April 1 — Walk-in medical aid, 2:56 p.m.
- April 1 — Medical aid, 5:18 p.m. Double View Dr.
- April 2 — Good intent call, 9:15 p.m. Tollgate Rd.
- April 3 — Motor vehicle collision with injuries, 2:48 p.m. Highway 74.
- April 4 — Building fire, 12:09 a.m. Sylvan Way.
- April 4 — Medical aid, 1:49 p.m. Palomar Rd.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Saturday to Friday, March 27 to April 2.

Idyllwild

- Mar. 27 — Suspicious person, 7:37 a.m. 54000 block of S. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 27 — Noise com-

plaint, 3:30 p.m. Idyllmont Rd. Handled by deputy.

- Mar. 28 — 911 hang up from cellphone, 9:12 a.m. Riverside County Playground Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 28 — Business and professions code violation, 10:52 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 28 — Suspicious vehicle, 12:57 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 28 — 911 hang up from cellphone, 4:24 p.m. Pioneer Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 28 — Noise complaint, 9:24 p.m. 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 29 — Alarm call, 10:40 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 29 — Alarm call, 2:56 p.m. 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 30 — Suspicious cir-

cumstance, 11:10 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

- Mar. 30 — Assist other department, 11:59 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 31 — Alarm call, 11:17 a.m. 26000 block of Highway 243. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 31 — Alarm call, 6:37 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 31 — Suspicious circumstance, 7:36 p.m. 55000 block of S. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Suspicious vehicle, 12:37 a.m. Linger Ln. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Suspicious person, 9:55 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Follow-up, 11:47 a.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Public disturbance, 1:36 p.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Suspicious person, 9:55 p.m. Address un-

defined. Handled by deputy.

- Apr. 2 — Alarm call, 8:45 a.m. N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 2 — Follow-up, 12:38 p.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 2 — Alarm call, 2:41 p.m. 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

- Mar. 29 — Alarm call, 2:21 p.m. McCall Park Rd. Handled by deputy.

- Apr. 1 — Check the welfare, 7:43 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

- Mar. 27 — Public disturbance, 4:29 p.m. Rosaline Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 27 — Public disturbance, 8:52 p.m. Rosaline Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 30 — Burglary, 12:04 p.m. Overlook Dr. Report taken.

- Mar. 31 — Danger to self/other, 3:57 p.m. Rosaline Rd. Report taken.

- Apr. 2 — Area check, 12:14 a.m. Rosaline Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 2 — Fraud, 2:36 p.m. Shadow Oaks Dr. Handled by deputy.

Pine Meadows / Garner Valley

- Apr. 2 — Area check, 8:55 p.m. Devils Ladder Rd. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

- Mar. 29 — Alarm call, 12:27 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 30 — Assist other department, 12:02 p.m. Temecula Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Mar. 31 — Alarm call, 9:39 a.m. Temecula Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Apr. 1 — Alarm call, 7:51 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as STARCANE ARTS at 52171 Round Robin Dr. Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 1362, Idyllwild, CA 92549. CHRISTOPHERORION SANCHEZ, 52171 Round Robin Dr. Idyllwild, CA 92549. ZEN — HUSTON, 52171 Round Robin Dr. 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: CHRISTOPHER SANCHEZ, ZEN HUSTON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 8, 2021.

FILE NO.: R-202102661

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CERTIFICATION

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

Pub. TC: Mar. 18, 25, Apr. 1, 8, 2021.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CATHERINE A. DEARING, AKA CATHERINE ANN DEARING

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CATHERINE A. DEARING, AKA CATHERINE ANN DEARING

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Lauren M. Bilecky & Mark J. Bilecky in the Superior Court of California, County of RIVERSIDE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Lauren M. Bilecky & Mark J. Bilecky be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 05/12/2021 at 8:45 a.m. in Dept. P53 located at 3255 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262. Probate Division.

The courthouse is temporarily closed. This hearing must be attended by telephone:

• Call 1-213-306-3065 and enter Meeting Number: 289100160

• Visit <http://riversidecourts.webex.com/meet/paldepps3webex>, tune in your name and click join meeting.

• It is important to call in promptly. Otherwise, there may be a delay before you are able to speak during the hearing.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: Kristine M. Borgia (SB#276777) Law Office of Kristine M. Borgia 3963 11th Street, Suite 202 Riverside, CA 92501 1951.823.5138

David D. Moriel (SB#164875) Law Offices of David D. Moriel, APLC 444 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 800 Long Beach, CA 90802 1562.277.0848

Pub. TC: Mar. 25, Apr. 1, 8, 2021.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as ETERNAL ENERGY WELLNESS at 54720 Pincenct, Idyllwild, California 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 74151 Peppergrass Street, Palm Desert, CA 92260. LEONA JANE DOBRENSKY, 74151 Peppergrass Street, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 1/7/2021.

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: LEONA JANE DOBRENSKY

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 25, 2021.

FILE NO.: R-202103713

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

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

Pub. TC: Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2021.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as MOJO FOODS at 25580 Fir Street, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 3206, Idyllwild, CA 92549. JOSEPH JOHN FOX, 25580 Fir Street, 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.

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Registrator Signature: JOSEPH FOX

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 22, 2021.

FILE NO.: R-202103356

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SPRUCE MOOSE at 54225 North Circle Drive, Suite 7D-16, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 2272, Idyllwild, CA 92549. ALISIA ANN FISHER, 22725 Saunders Meadow Road, 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.

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Registrator Signature: ALISIA ANN FISHER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 19, 2021.

FILE NO.: R-202103322

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PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

Pub. TC: Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2021.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as TURNING POINT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL at 2000 Norco Drive, Norco, CA 92860, Riverside County. THE CHURCH ON THE HILL, REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA, 2000 Norco Drive, Norco, CA 92860. The List State of Corporation is CA.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

I declare that all information in this state-

ment 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: KEVIN BOOTH

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 22, 2021.

FILE NO.: R-202103439

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ADLAIDE YOUNG

On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

B SECTION

IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., APRIL 8, 2021

Spotlight on Leadership: Ellen Rosa-Taylor

By Associates of the Idyllwild Arts Foundation
Contributed

The Associates of the Idyllwild Arts Foundation continues its monthly series, Spotlight on Leadership. The Spotlight series introduces a member of the Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) leadership team, department chair, or a faculty member to our community.

This is an ideal opportunity to learn how the Idyllwild Arts Academy and Summer Program operate during the challenging time of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the hourlong presentation, the IAA leader will discuss the current challenges, provide examples of student work and host a question-and-answer session for those in attendance.

For the safety of the community, the Spotlight on Leadership presentations use Zoom. The Zoom link is provided in our monthly Spotlight on Leadership ad in the Town Crier. It can also be obtained by emailing the Associates at associates@idyllwildarts.org.

At 10 a.m. Monday, April 12, the Associates will present Ellen Rosa-Taylor, chair of the Dance Department at IAA and Summer Program. Rosa-Taylor's topic is "Dancing Behind the Mask." The presentation is open to all in our community at no charge. The Zoom link is <https://idyllwildarts.zoom.us/j/91332026254>.

Michael Slocum, president of Associates of Idyllwild Arts, says, "This is an ideal opportunity for you — our community — to learn how the pandemic has required change plus the future of post-pandemic learning at Idyllwild Arts. These perspectives are open to very few."

Ellen Rosa-Taylor received her bachelor's in ballet with an outside field (taking more courses in a field outside of one's major — more courses than a minor but less than a major) in kinesiology from Indiana University. While there, she trained with Patricia McBride, former principal ballerina of the New York City Ballet, Jean-Pierre Bonnefoux, former principal dancer of the Paris Opera Ballet and New York City Ballet, and Jacques Cesbron, former dancer with the Paris Opera Ballet.

She earned her MFA in dance from Florida State University, where she was the recipient of a Dean's Teaching Fellowship for the School of Visual Arts and Dance, as well as a University Fellowship. She received additional training at the Pennsylvania Ballet and Boston Ballet summer programs where she was on scholarship.

Rosa-Taylor has performed as a ballerina with the Los Angeles Opera where she worked with Plácido Domingo. She has also performed as solo dancer with the New York City Opera at Lincoln Center in their production of "La Rondine" and has performed with the San Diego Opera in their productions of "Samson and Delilah" and "Die Fledermaus."

As a concert dancer, she has performed as principal dancer with City Ballet of Los Angeles, Media City Ballet (now

Pacific Ballet Theater) and Chattanooga Ballet, where she served on the board of directors of the Tennessee Association of Dance.

She has also performed with La Danserie, Louise Reichlin and Dancers, Charleston Ballet Theatre and the Russian Ballet Theatre of Delaware. She was featured as the Bluebird in Disney's "Snow White, an Enchanting Musical at Disneyland" and has toured nationally as a principal dancer in the multi-media cirque show "Dreamscapes."

As a choreographer, Rosa-Taylor was selected to create a piece called "Weavings" for the 2001 Contemporary Music Symposium in Chattanooga. She was a finalist in the 2006 Dance Under the Stars festival in Palm Desert and was invited to perform "Last Dance" in the Arabesque 2006 Dance Festival in Wilmington, Delaware. In 2008 she was commissioned by Media City Ballet to choreograph the education show "The Four Musicians." Lewis Segal of the Los Angeles Times has praised her "unique jazz ballet style."

As a dance educator, Rosa-Taylor is currently an American Ballet Theatre affiliate teacher for levels Primary through 7. She teaches all ages and levels of ballet, pointe, variations, pas de deux and dance conditioning. She has served on the dance faculties of Chattanooga Ballet School, Chattanooga Center High School Center for Creative Arts, Camarillo Academy of Performing Arts, Moorpark College and East Los Angeles College.

The Spotlight on Leadership speaker on Monday, May 10, will be Tara Sechrest, vice president of Enrollment Management and Strategic Partnerships for IAA. Wendy Winks, vice president of Marketing and Communications, will be the Spotlight on Leadership speaker Monday, June 14.

For additional information, please contact Michael Slocum at associates@idyllwildarts.org.



Ellen Rosa-Taylor

PHOTO COURTESY OF IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY

IAA speaks with award-winning musician

By Jenny Kirchner
Reporter/Photographer

Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) created its own podcast — "One World. One Idyllwild. The Series." The podcast premiered March 30 and was aired on IAA's YouTube channel.

This podcast series will spotlight artists from all backgrounds, showcasing how they have been shaped by the transformative power of art.

In the first episode, Idyllwild Arts Foundation President Pamela Jordan interviewed award-winning Australian-Vietnamese singer-songwriter Thanh Bui.

Bui spoke with Jordan about his choice to pursue his art career at a young age, leaving home and his parents.

"To be honest with you, I was just very fortunate to have the opportunities in Australia to have contact with music," Bui said. "I wouldn't say I had the support from mom and dad to become a musician, but at a young age, they supported me to do whatever I wanted to learn."

Bui's parents wanted him to become a doctor or a lawyer but Bui had other plans. He sat his parents down when he was 17 years old and said he wanted to become a musician. They told him if he wanted to do that, he could leave to pursue that dream. Not expecting that to actually happen, their plan backfired. With that, Bui left home and followed his heart to become a musician.

Jordan responded, "It speaks volumes to young people who really have that passion. So many of our students have the support of their parents, but they often leave friends and family at home that feel the same

to go into something more secure."

Since Bui followed his dream as a teenager, he placed eighth on Australian Idol in season 6. Facing criticism from professionals at such a young age taught him how to be vulnerable, and that as an artist, being vulnerable is what producing good art is all about.

As a worldwide successful musician, his songs have been heard everywhere. According to his Facebook page, Bui is formerly a member of the music group North. The group's hit songs have sold throughout Asia and Australia. He has written songs for MTV's "Real World" and for other well-known groups like Arashi, TVXQ and Kat-Tun.

One of his most notable accomplishments is co-writing the first hit single on the first international album for the South Korean group BTS. The group recently gained popularity here in the states with their pop music. Bui was featured on the song's remix release. He was also a judge on "The Voice of Vietnam" and was a judge for the TV show "Vietnam Idol."

After all these successes, Bui has now turned to helping young artists support their dreams.

"In 2013, you founded Soul Music & Performing Arts Academy," Jordan said. "In 2016, you founded



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One World. One Idyllwild.

The Series

In Conversation with Pamela Jordan



One World. One Idyllwild. The Series. brings together thought leaders, creatives, influencers and changemakers, highlighting the work of citizen artists whose careers and lives have been shaped by the transformative power of art.

'One World. One Idyllwild. The Series' now available on all podcasting platforms.
IMAGE BY IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY

Asian Music & Performing Arts Education and in 2017 you founded Embassy Education Group. Why have you turned your attention to arts education?"

"Artists are the speaker of truth," Bui responded. "I believe that education is the key pillar for building the future for our young people. We have such incredible potential as a country. Our contribution on the world's stage is through the mediums of arts."

Supporting the young artists in learning their true potential is what Bui and IAA have in common. Just as Bui followed his heart as a teenager, he wants to make sure he can help future artists do the same.

To listen to the interview, find "One World. One Idyllwild. The Series" on any podcasting platform.



From left, **Gilbert Hansen, Rodger Reeder** and **Lenny Hansell** spent their Saturday entertaining customers at Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

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Mother War from Indio performed at the Rustic Theatre and Entertainment Center's new beer garden Saturday afternoon.

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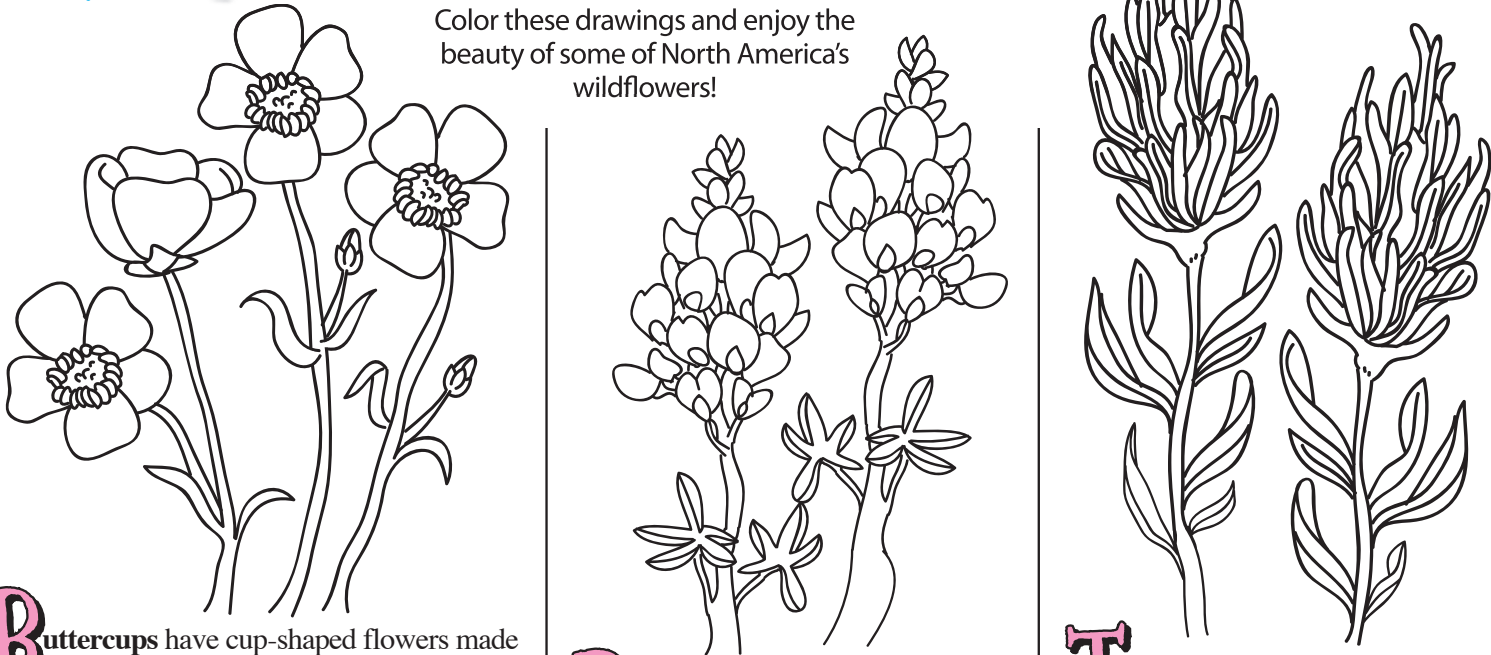
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April showers bring...

WILDFLOWERS

Take a walk outside and look around! Chances are you will see flowers starting to bloom. April is a month to celebrate the colorful display of flowers in our community. Even pesky weeds bloom this time of year!

Color these drawings and enjoy the beauty of some of North America's wildflowers!



Buttercups have cup-shaped flowers made up of five petals. People used to believe that the rich yellow color of butter originated from a high content of buttercups in the cows' diet. This belief is false. Cows avoid buttercups because they are poisonous!


FLOWER: **YELLOW**
STEM AND LEAVES: **GREEN**

Bluebonnets are the Texas state flower. Some grow to be three feet high! The bluebonnet comes from the legume (bean) family.

FLOWER: **PURPLE/DARK BLUE**
STEM AND LEAVES: **GRAY-GREEN**

The Indian Paint Brush is Wyoming's state flower. It has been used to make dyes. The main pollinators of this wildflower are hummingbirds.

FLOWER: **RED-ORANGE**
STEM AND LEAVES: **GREEN**



Kid Scoop Together:

State Flower Scramble

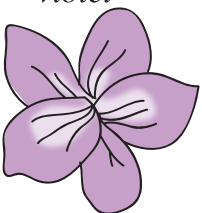
Which flower belongs to which state? Unscramble the letters underneath each flower to find out!

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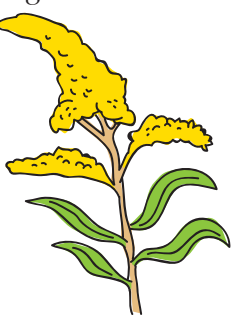
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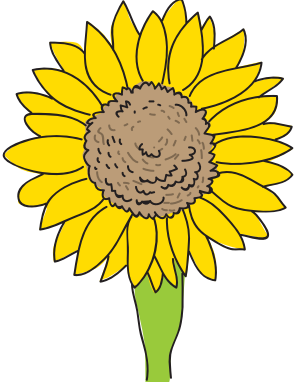
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Look closely: Can you find the two identical bouquets of flowers?



Poppies are the California state flower. They can be found blooming throughout the state in spring.

FLOWER: **ORANGE**
STEM AND LEAVES: **GREEN**

Extra! Extra!

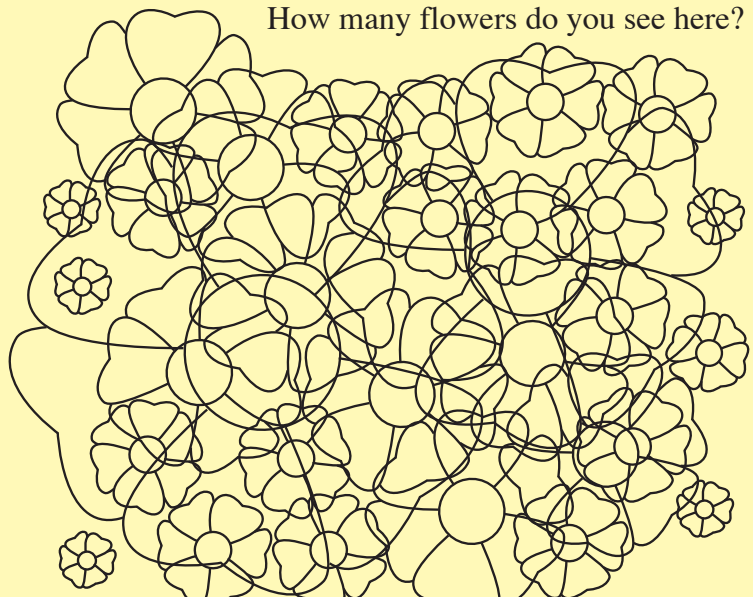
Circle It!

On one page of the newspaper, find and circle the letters that spell each of the flowers on this page. Connect the circled letters to spell each word.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many flowers do you see here?



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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C	S	R	S	G	O	R	E		
H	C	H	U	S	W				

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:

ORIGINATE

The verb **originate** means to bring into being.

The annual holiday custom **originated** in ancient times.

Try to use the word **originate** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

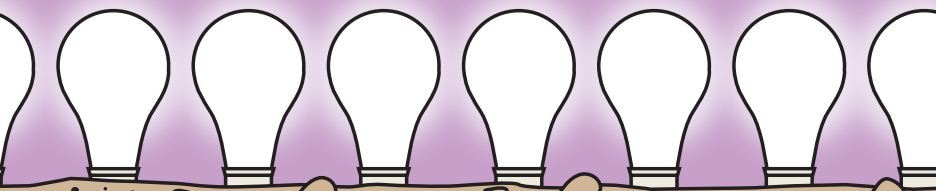
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What's missing?

Show a friend pictures from the newspaper with a piece of the picture missing. Then have them ask questions that can only be answered "YES" or "NO" to determine what is missing.

Standards Link: Understand meaning from context clues.

Why did the farmer plant light bulbs?



ANSWER: Because he wanted to grow a power plant.

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Spring Poems

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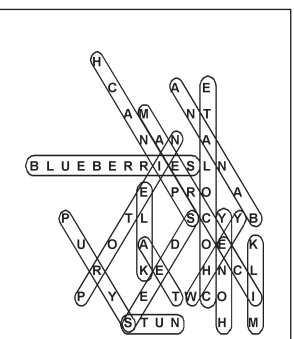
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Steele 77th at Texas Open

By JACK CLARK
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Brendan Steele had a rough time at the Texas Open in San Antonio last week posting a 7-over-par 70-76-76-73 — 295 to finish in 77th place.

The Idyllwild native’s stats were atypical for him. His drives averaged nearly 300 yards but into only 36% of the fairways, and playing from the rough resulted in hitting only 39% of the greens in regulation. However, he actually gained more than a quarter stroke per day against the field with his putter.

Brendan will be taking this week off.



From left, Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA) students **Josh Summerlin** and **Sedona Kmen** perform during the IAA Art in Society Symposium Friday afternoon.

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From left, **Wyatt Rosenthal**, **Athena Stuebe**, **Sarah Sicad**, and **Tanya Peter** of the Art in Society Film & Digital Media Group talk about the project they presented for the Art in Society Symposium Friday (not pictured, **Molly Ritter**). The event was free and open to the public on Zoom.

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CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in “Days of Our Nine Lives,” the cats welcomed two new cats to the cattery.

Pepper: Woo hoo! We have another new feline joining us!

Whiskers: In addition to Stevie and Shorty?

Pepper: Right. Oh, and here she is now.

Miss Kitty: (Sashaying into the room) Well, hello ladies and gentlemen. I’m Miss Kitty, and I guess this is my new temporary home.

Pepper: Welcome, Miss Kitty. I think you’ll be happy here while you wait for your new forever home.

Stevie: You may wait with Shorty and me. We’re hoping to find our forever homes soon.

Shorty: How old are you Miss Kitty?

Miss Kitty: I am a healthy adult. Let’s just say I’m between 5 and 8 years old.

Stevie: I’ve heard that you are very friendly with humans.

Miss Kitty: You heard right, Stevie. I really like humans and their warm laps.

Stevie: Hopefully, lots of people will call ARF soon to make appointments to meet us.

Lulu: That would be so nice for all of us.

Stevie: We just want a chance to impress visitors.

Lulu: If we make good impressions, we just might find our perfect families.

Pepper: We would be happy, and the people would be happy. It’s a win-win!

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.

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Miss Kitty



Shorty



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60 years ago - 1961

Los Angeles engineering firm Ivor Lyons & Associates started Idyllwild’s first sewage survey.

55 years ago - 1966

The U.S. Forest Service reported two million vis-

its to the San Jacinto Ranger District of the San Bernardino National Forest in 1965. Visits specifically for fishing led the list of uses, followed by picnicking, camping and use of wilderness trails for hiking and snow sport, respectively.

50 years ago - 1971

Ray and Virginia Garner hosted a showing of “A Night with Vincent Van Gogh,” in ISOMATA’s (now Idyllwild Arts Academy) Rush Hall. They showed their slides taken while making a “color special” for NBC of the artist’s work and artifacts from his life, including those rarely seen.

45 years ago - 1976

Dark Canyon, Fern Basin and Black Mountain campgrounds, formerly operating on a first-come, first-served basis, began requiring campers to reserve their spots, as part of a U.S. Forest Service plan to expand its campground reservation system.

40 years ago - 1981

Village Market was advertising fresh pineapple at 29 cents a pound, pork chops at \$1.79 a pound and fresh broccoli

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35 years ago - 1986

A search was launched for a mountain lion that was believed to have attacked at least two dogs in Pine Cove.

30 years ago - 1991

A three-day storm left up to 44 inches of snow in the Hill communities and caused power outages of up to 36 hours. Mounds of snow up to 20 feet tall were piled throughout downtown Idyllwild.

25 years ago - 1996

A group of Hemet High School students were attempting to organize and gain approval for a club that would raise awareness about HIV and AIDS. The Hemet Unified School District, which had eliminated the sex education curriculum the previous year, was looking into if such a club could be legally formed.

20 years ago - 2001

Locals were lamenting the closure of Val and Bruce’s General Store at the junction of highways 74 and 243 in Mountain Center. After operating the store for more than 20 years, owners Bruce and Val Raynor re-

tired and moved down the road to Lake Hemet.

15 years ago - 2006

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to pass a noise ordinance in unincorporated areas. For Idyllwild, the ordinance was expected to impact local restaurants that hosted live music.

10 years ago - 2011

American Idol host Ryan Seacrest told Idyllwild’s Casey Abrams, “You’re safe,” during the Thursday, March 31 telecast, then added, “and my friend, if you knew how many votes you got you’d be very proud.” Abrams sang Elton John’s “Your Song,” and media critics applauded the choice of material and the simple and sweet performance.

5 years ago - 2016

Idyllwild Arts jazz alumni inaugurated the William M. Lowman Concert Hall.

1 year ago - 2020

Due to demand created by COVID-19 the markets weren’t getting all of their orders and deliveries were running days behind schedule.



Tricia Pilkington of Earth Enerchi was at the Easter Market selling chi-enriching pieces over the weekend.

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The Art Alliance of Idyllwild held an Easter art fair near the gazebo in the center of town Sunday, selling its members’ works of art. Neil Jenkins, right, helps a customer with a purchase.

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Local artists and entrepreneurs were part of the Easter Market at Oakwood Village over the weekend. Many came out to support the local businesses and individuals who participated. The outdoor event was sponsored by Wildland Organics and Wax Apothecary.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: GREEK —

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CROSSWORD

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Zilch
- 5 Male swan
- 8 "Ditto"
- 12 Mideast airline
- 13 Glacial
- 14 "Let's go!"
- 15 Pattern
- 17 Help a hood
- 18 Old photo tint
- 19 Walks with pride
- 21 Yuletide tune
- 24 Archipelago unit (Abbr.)
- 25 Verifiable
- 28 Carton sealer
- 30 Mimic
- 33 Hostel
- 34 Goes belly up
- 35 Water tester
- 36 "Acid"
- 37 French 101 verb
- 38 Quick look
- 39 Online address
- 41 Ump's call
- 43 Steak choices

DOWN

- 1 Tennis barriers
- 2 Sheltered
- 3 Slightly wet
- 4 Skiing style
- 5 Spy org.
- 6 Halloween mo.
- 7 Tournament passes
- 8 Surgery reminders
- 9 Walk
- 10 Champagne brand
- 11 Tolkien crea-
- 16 Thai language
- 20 Cravats
- 22 Coup d' —
- 23 Hideaways
- 25 Up to
- 26 ER workers
- 27 Move in waves
- 29 Entreaty
- 31 "The Raven" writer
- 32 "A mouse!"
- 34 Fedora fabric
- 38 Kitchen gadget
- 40 Oscar de la —
- 42 Ga. neighbor
- 43 Disaster aid org.
- 44 "As — saying ..."
- 45 Barking critter
- 47 Be slack-jawed
- 48 Elevator name
- 49 Faction
- 52 High school subj.
- 53 "Evita" role

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HOROSCOPES

April 2021 — Week 2

March 21 – April 19
It isn't always easy for the rambunctious Aries to give a second thought to their often spur-of-the-moment choices. But aspects favor rechecking a decision before declaring it final.

April 20 – May 20
Information emerges for the business-driven Bovine who feels ready to restart a stalled project. Be prepared to make adjustments as needed at any time during the process.

May 21 – June 21
Part of you wants to complete plans for an upcoming event, while your other self wants to see how things develop first. Compromise by moving ahead with your plans while being open to change.

June 22 – July 22
An unexpected change in a relationship could open up a problem or could lead to a much-needed and too-long-delayed reassessment of a number of matters. The choice is yours to make.

July 23 – August 22
Time for the Lion to total the pluses and minuses resulting from recent personal and/or professional decisions. See what worked, what didn't and why, and base your next big move on the results.

August 23 – September 22
The clever Virgo can make persuasion work by presenting a case built on hard facts. Sentiment might touch the heart, but it's good, solid information that invariably wins the day.

September 23 – October 22
You usually can win over the most stubborn skeptics on your own. But this time you can benefit from supporters who have been there, done that and are willing to speak up on your behalf.

October 23 – November 21
You win admiration for your determination to do the right thing. Don't be distracted from that course, despite the offer of tempting alternatives that might suddenly turn up.

November 22 – December 21
While you still need to maintain control of a dominant situation, a new development emerges, making the task easier and the outcome potentially more rewarding.

December 22 – January 19
New factors might have a positive effect on a still-pending matter, but only if the information proves to be credible. Trusted colleagues might be able to offer needed advice.

January 20 – February 18
The week favors moderation, especially if a health problem is involved. Resist the impulse to do more than might be good for you at this time. You can catch up later.

February 19 – March 20
You could feel more than a mite upset by someone or some people who might be creating problems for you. Find out why they won't change their ways. Their reasons might surprise you.

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(Answers on previous classifieds page)

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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