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Short-term rental ordinance headed to supervisors

By JP Crumrine Correspondent

On Wednesday, May 18, after hours of public comments, both in the board room and online, the Riverside County Planning Commission unanimously approved a revised Ordinance 927, "Regulating Short Term Rentals" (STR). The revision will be sent to the board of supervisors next month for adoption.

The commission reviewed a draft of a revised ordinance at its April 20 meeting and asked its staff to make changes and bring the new version back to the commission for last week's meeting.

Changes to 927 from April meeting

Several changes resulting from public comments before and after the April 20 commission meeting were incorporated into the current draft ordinance. Among these changes, the minimum length of an STR will be one night and two days as originally specified in the 2016 adopted ordinance.

The maximum occupancy remains 10 people unless an application for up to 16 is approved. However, language was added that the maximum occupancy of an STR on a parcel of at least 5 acres will be 16 guests, subject to state building codes.

Properties that have been subdivided pursuant to California's Senate Bill 9 (California Housing Opportunity and More Efficiency [HOME] Act) will be restricted from providing STRs.

"Adequate parking" is defined as one on-site parkpace for every four occupants. More parking must be "within an approved driveway, garage, and/or car-

Noise monitors must be placed both within the STR and outside the house.

The outside signage, which must be visible from the street, requires the following information: STR certificate number, name and phone number of the responsible operator, maximum number of occupants and Code Enforcement's call center phone number.

The written notification of obtaining an STR certificate is required to be given to all property owners within 300 feet of the STR property line. This is modified to specify that at least 20 surrounding properties are noti-

And the final change is including the "requirements for eligibility of an STR to obtain certification and maintain certification through the annual renewal process" in section 7.

Deferral of caps or limits

Beginning the discussion of the revised Ordinance 927, Planning Chair David Leonard (2nd District) stressed to the public that the comments about the presence of Code Enforcement staff in different localities is "... a budget and staffing issue, it is not within the purview of the Planning Commission. That's the purview of the board of supervisors."

Planning Director John Hildebrand began his comments, "This is one of the most challenging ordinances that the county has ever taken on ... We're not quite there yet but we have a working framework."

After describing the changes incorporated into the new revision, he discussed the reasons for deferring any adoption of caps or limits on STRs in specific neighbor-

"This is a very complicated issue and there are many concerns and considerations when establishing limitations." Among those he mentioned were the size of the area and criteria for limiting certified STRs. Once the rule for caps is agreed upon, how do you manage it for new STR applications and what is the priority for add-

See Ordinance 927, page A10



Alhatti Christian Resort Executive Director Timothy Parker noticed smoke coming from this cottage on the premises but has no idea how it started. According to Riverside County Fire, the blaze is still under investigation. Parker was very grateful the fire was stopped as quick as it was since his property borders the Butterfields' property north of Pine Cove. He did not want the fire on his property to affect the community. Both fire chiefs on site credited the mutual effort among Riverside County Fire, Idyllwild Fire, and the U.S. Forest Service in containing the fire to one structure and just the immediate vegetation area around it.

Forest Service reopened Saturday

As of Saturday, May 21, the Idyllwild office of the San Jacinto Ranger District on the San Bernardino National Forest reopened following a more than two-year clo-

The office closed in March 2020 due to COVID, according to Natural Resource Specialist Andy Smith.

Hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday to Monday, and from 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday. The office will be closed Wednesday and Thursday

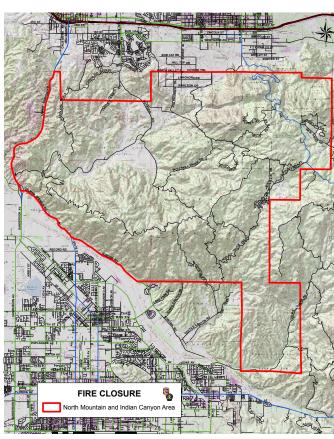
Wildfire threat grows, county and state fire departments take action

By JP Crumrine Correspondent

Several areas within Riverside County have been closed to public access because of high potential fire danger. At its May 17 meetthe Riverside ing, County Board of Supervisors approved County Fire Chief Bill Weiser's recommendation to close six areas - North Mountain and Indian Canyon, Whitewater Čanyon, Ramona Bowl (open daily from sunrise to noon), Bautista Canyon, Steel Peak and the Eagle Canyon/Tin Mine Ārea.

The closures were effective May 23 and will continue until

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PRIVACY AND VIEWS FROM OPEN PLAN

Dramatic beamed ceiling and large picture windows highlight this appealing layout with living/dining/kitchen combination and large, private deck with views. There are 2 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, kitchen with original formica counter tops and breakfast bar, roomy dining area, corner fireplace in living room plus free standing wood stove downstairs, propane wall heaters, washer/dryer hookups. Lots of potential here for immediate use and/or add modern upgrades and take it to the next level. #2009866

Fire closures

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Weiser believes it is safe to reopen them to public

Following two years of drought and the likely beginning of a third year, the potential for damaging and human-caused fires is very high. These areas are particularly vulnerable and were closed during the 2021 summer also.

Weiser recommended their closure except for public roadways and private property within these areas that is inhabited.

While Idyllwild and Pine Cove and other Hill communities are surrounded or adjacent to U.S. Forest Service land, the North Mountain, Indian and Bautista canyon areas are very close to Hill communities to the west and south.

As the threat of wildfires continues and even grows, Cal Fire's recent announcement is a step

toward helping to reduce this danger. In a May 3 press release, Cal Fire revealed the establishment of a Community Wildfire Preparedness and Mitigation Division within the office of the State Fire Mar-

In April, Cal Fire Director Joe Tyler appointed Chief Daniel Berlant as deputy director of the new division. Previously, Berlant led the department's Wildfire Planning and Engineering Program.

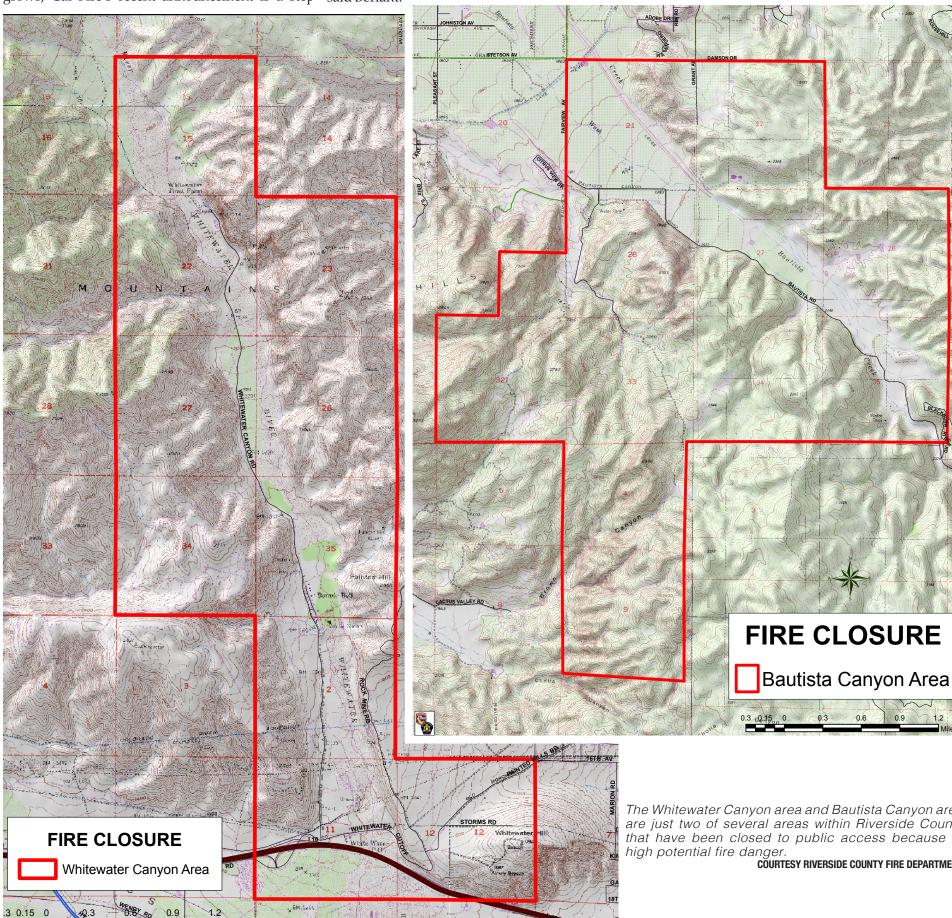
This division consolidates existing department programs, including defensible space, wildland building codes and home hardening, pre-fire planning, fire hazard severity zones, land use planning, wildfire prevention grants and utility wildfire mitigation.

"As California continues to experience more severe and damaging wildfires, our wildfire strategy must include preparing our homes and communities to be more resistant to the effects of wildfire," said Berlant

Holiday closings

Hill businesses and institutions, normally open, that will be closed Monday, May 30, to observe Memorial Day, are:

- Area post offices
- Fern Valley Water District
- Hemet Unified School District
- Idvllwild Library
- Idyllwild Pharmacy
- Idyllwild Town Crier office
- Idyllwild Water District • Pine Cove Water District
- PNC Bank
- Riverside County offices
- U.S. Forest Service



The Whitewater Canyon area and Bautista Canyon area are just two of several areas within Riverside County that have been closed to public access because of

COURTESY RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

Art season open on geese

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) invites artists to submit their original artwork to the 2022-2023 California Duck Stamp Art Contest. Submissions will be accepted until June 10.

The artwork must depict the species the California Fish and Game Commission selects, which for the 2022-2023 hunting season is the Canada goose. These large, easily recognizable waterfowl are the most widespread goose in North America and are found in a wide variety of habitats in California. While some nest in the state, others continue the age-old migration along the Pacific Flyway, flying north in the spring and south in the fall - a journey of up to 2,500 miles.

The winning artwork will be reproduced on the 2022-2023 California Duck Stamp. The top submissions are traditionally showcased at the Pacific Flyway Decoy Association's art show in July.

The contest is open to U.S. residents ages 18 or older as of March 22, 2022. Entrants need not reside in California. Current and former CDFW employees are ineligible. All entries must be accompanied by a completed participation agreement and entry form. These forms and the official rules are available online at wildlife. ca.gov/duck-stamp/contest.

Restart business loans available

Riverside County and AmPac Business Capital are partnering to provide emergency and ongoing capital for small businesses in Riverside County. Restart loans are available to businesses located anywhere in the county. Loans may be given for \$15,000 to \$30,000.

Eligible businesses must be private for profit, have 25 or fewer employees and have a minimum twoyear operating history.

The interest rate is 3.75% over a term of five years with no payments for the first six months. Vishttps://static1.squarespace.com/static/58765b0020099e329dde3dcf/t/609ad786cb-2fec031b205473/1620760455985/Workforce+develop ment_AmPac+Loan_Restart+MicroLoan_v10.pdf for more information about the ReStart program.





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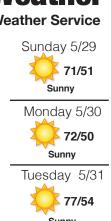
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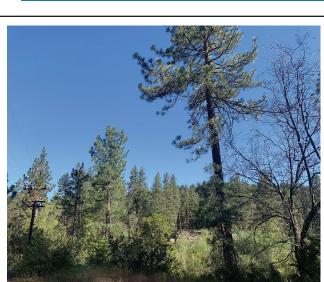
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The Town Crier's Idyllwild daily high and low temperatures and rain and snow totals in the past were taken directly from the National Weather Service website, which gets its Idyllwild weather information from automatic weath

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. CoCo-RaHS 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



A lovely morning in Idyllwild with temperatures in the

PHOTO BY MANDY JOHNSON

Sex offender registration continues for ranch manager near Idyllwild

By David Gotfredson Investigative Producer CBS8

Editor's note: David Gotfredson has given the Town Crier permission to republish this story.

who went missing almost two years ago from her ranch near Idyllwild, will have to continue to register as a sex offender.

Keith Harper represented himself in court Tuesday, May 17, in San Juan County, Colorado, where he was convicted 10 years ago of misdemeanor sex-run," said Judge Edwards in court, ruling that over, and is currently set for Sept. 19, 2022, in Palm ual contact for groping two women on snowmobile Harper cannot petition to discontinue his sex of-

"I did a year in jail. Misdemeanors are not meant to be a life sentence," said Harper, to Judge Anthony D. Edwards in court.

In Colorado, misdemeanor sex offenders can petition the court to discontinue registration after 10 years.

"Ten years have passed that have had significant impact on my ability to acquire jobs and it's become almost a death sentence for me," said

Harper, 72, continued to maintain his innocence in court. He told the judge he had grabbed one of the women, who was driving the snowmobile, from behind because she had lost control of the ve-

"My involvement with the female involved was less than four seconds. If I had not acted in that moment of time, there would have been serious injury or death," he

For the past two years, Harper has been living in Mountain Center, California on the 117-acre, Bonita Vista Ranch.

He was the boyfriend of the ranch owner, former La Jolla resident Dia Abrams, 65, who mysteriously went missing from her ranch in June 2020. Abrams has not been found.

by Harper as an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) rollover accifender registration until 2025.

Newkirk's cause of death and autopsy have been sealed, as part of Riverside [County] Sheriff's ongoing investigation.

In Colorado court, Assistant District Attorney The former boyfriend of Dia Abrams, the woman David Ottman opposed Harper's petition because, while Harper was convicted of the misdemeanor sex offenses in 2012, he appealed his conviction and didn't get released from a one-year jail sentence un-

"Based upon the statute, the 10 years has not

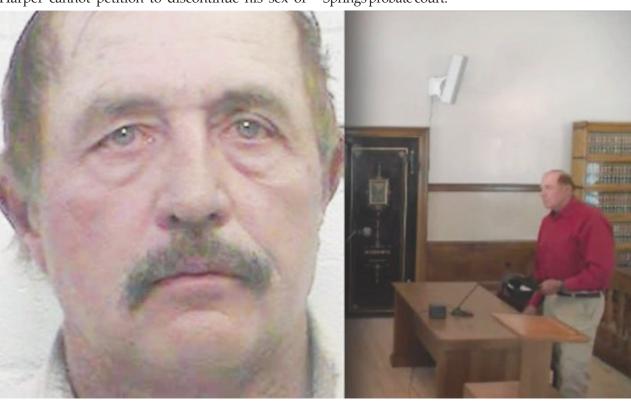
"So, I'm going to deny it," said Edward.

The Colorado convictions and Harper's mug shot are posted on California's sex offender website because he lives on the ranch in California.

CBS 8 contacted Riverside County Sheriff about the ongoing investigations of Abrams and Newkirk. The agency did not respond.

The adult children of Dia Abrams continue their court battle to have Keith Harper removed as trustee of the Abrams ranch and estate.

The trial in that case has been continued, over and Springs probate court.



ranch in December of last year in an incident reported Keith Harper in his sex offender photo and in a Colorado court recently.

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Hats off to SCE

Dear editor:

I'm as surprised as you may be, but I feel moved to offer kudos to Southern California Edison.

Over the last few years, SCE has proactively sent numerous convoys up the Hill to repair or replace aging, inadequate equip-

ment. Although this has meant frequent scheduled interruptions in service, it has also resulted in a sharp decline in sudden, sometimes catastrophic, power

Those new to Idyllwild may be unaware that regular losses of electricity were an exasperating fact of life not long ago. A heavy rain fell: the power went out. The first, mild snow of the season drifted down: the lights flickered, at least. The town was hit by a major snowstorm: power poles snapped in half, and large swaths of Idyllwild would be in the dark and cold for three or four

It may be too soon to call victory, but I have not experienced or heard of a serious outage in three winters now. Knock wood, the valiant labors of SCE's repair crews seem to have made our power supply a lot more dependable.

We are certain to notice a utility when it fails but usually take it for granted when it is working as it is supposed to. And yet it takes a lot of dedicated effort to make a utility function as it is "supposed to." SCE, hats

> Chris Morse FERN VALLEY

Cal Fire suspends open burning

California has already experienced an unusually early start to fire season amid an ongoing drought and historically low rainfall and reservoir levels. While wildfires are a natural part of California's landscape, the fire season in California and across the West is starting earlier and ending later each year. Warmer spring and summer temperatures, reduced snowpack, and earlier spring snowmelt create longer and more intense dry seasons that increase moisture stress on vegetation and make forests more susceptible to severe wildfire.

The increasing fire danger posed by dead grass and hotter, drier conditions in the region is prompting Cal Fire to suspend all burn permits for outdoor residential burning within the State Responsibility Area of Riverside County. This suspension took effect at 8 a.m. Monday, May 23, banning all residential outdoor burning of landscape debris such as branches and leaves.

'California wildfires continue to threaten our communities," said Chief Joe Tyler, Cal Fire director. "With the conditions set for an early start of the 2022 fire season, it is imperative that we collectively take preventative steps now to prepare, and we ask all Californians to do their part in wildfire preparedness."

"As we enter the summer months, we are experiencing critical fire behavior due to warmer temperatures and tinder-dry vegetation. We urge residents to comply with this suspension until I determine that it is safe to resume open burning," said Riverside County Fire Chief Bill Weiser.

While outdoor burning of landscape debris by homeowners is no longer allowed, Cal Fire is asking residents to take extra time to prepare their homes for wildfire by creating defensible space and hardening their homes ahead of wildfires.

Here are some tips to help prepare homes and prop-

- Clear all dead and or dying vegetation 100 feet from around all structures.
- · Landscape with fire-resistant plants and non-flammable ground cover.
- Find alternative ways to dispose of landscape debris like chipping or hauling it to a biomass energy or green-waste facility.

The department may issue restricted temporary burning permits if there is an essential reason due to public health and safety. Agriculture, land management, fire training and other industrial-type burning may proceed if a Cal Fire official inspects the burn site

Suspending burn permits for residential landscape debris does not apply to campfires within organized campgrounds or on private property. Campfires may be permitted if the campfire is maintained in such a

and issues a special permit.

manner as to prevent its spread to the wildland. A valid campfire permit is required and can be obtained online at www.ReadyForWildfire.org. For more information on how to create defensible space, home hardening and evacuation planning, and how to be prepared for wildfires, as well as tips to prevent wildfires, visit the same website.

U.S. Forest Service halts prescribed burning

By JP Crumrine Correspondent

On Friday, May 20, Randy Moore, chief of the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), announced, "... Today, because of the current extreme wildfire risk conditions in the field, I am initiating a pause on prescribed fire operations on National Forest System lands while we conduct a 90-day review of protocols, decision support tools and practices ahead of planned operations this fall."

Prescribed burns, formerly controlled burns, are an integral tool for the USFS to reduce the risk of grave wildfires. Moore did not explain the reason for the sudden and unexpected halt in using these types of burns, although some media outlets have suggested that several recent prescribed burns in New Mexico and other western states have escaped theor initial boundaries. The Forest Service's Inciweb site, which identifies active fires, list 11 prescribed burns throughout the nation between March 17 and May 17.

"The review I am announcing today will task representatives from across the wildland fire and research community with conducting the national review and evaluating the prescribed fire program, from the best available science to on-the-ground implementation," Moore said in his press release. "Lessons learned and any resulting program improvements will be in place prior to resuming prescribed burning.

"The pause I am announcing today will have minimal impact on these objectives in the short- and long-term since the agency conducts more than 90 percent of its prescribed burn operations between September and May," Moore assured.

Prescribed burn operations are essential tools managers need to protect communities and first responders, improve forest conditions and reduce the threat of extreme fires, according to Moore's press release.

In order to conduct a prescribed burn, a "burn plan" must be prepared and approved. These plans identify the conditions — both weather and vegetation — that could enhance or endanger the potential burn.

Neither the regional nor local public information officers knew anything about current or future prescribed burning activities or plans.

In January, the USFS released its "10 Year Strategy to Confront the Wildfire Crisis." The strategy proposes various treatments, including using prescribed fire and thinning to reduce hazardous fuels, on USFS lands and supporting these treatments on other federal, state, tribal, private and family lands.

On its website, the USFS defines prescribed fire as a planned fire used to meet management objectives. The elimination of all fire can lead to the accumulation of dangerous fire-susceptible foliage.

species disappear; and flammable fuels build up and become hazardous.

According to the USFS, the right fire at the right place at the right time can reduce hazardous fuels, protect communities from extreme fires, and remove unwanted species that threaten native species.

As of May 20, Cal Fire reported 2,021 fires on both state and USFS lands in California in 2022. This compares to 2,458 as of May 20, 2021, and the five-year average of 1,536. This year, nearly 9,200 acres have been burned compared to 15,200 last year.

MATTER OF FACT

In last week's story on A09 about new restrooms coming to downtown, we wrote that the nonprofit San Jacinto Mountain Community Center oversees the Idyllwild Community Center (ICC). In fact, the nonprofit is doing business as ICC.

Town Crier regrets the error.

Members, send **Becky your** email address

By Jack Clark Co-publisher

As pointed out last week, if you are a Town Crier Member you're not limited to the print-on-paper version, you also have access to the TC's online versions, which are real, complete newspapers you can read on computer monitor, laptop, tablet or cellphone. But we must know your email address so you can be included in the weekly Tuesday evening notification that the Town Crier is ready to read online with just a click. (That's Wednesday evenings, when there is a TC holiday on Monday, like this coming week.)

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We sincerely appreciate you all.

Free summer golf lessons for kids

Kids ages 5 to 18 are invited to sign up for the free summer golf instruction program provided by Grandfathers for Golf, a 501(c)3 nonprofit charity organiza-

All children get free golf clubs to keep, a free hat and T-shirt, and weekly instruction through the summer months. Classes are limited to 50 children on a firstcome, first-served basis.

Classes will be held from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Tuesdays at Golden Era Golf Course in San Jacinto beginning

Sign up online at grandfathersforgolf.org/signup/ or by calling Tony Viola at 909-754-4148. Viola also has more information on the program.

Nature Center seeking rain catchers

Idyllwild Nature Center Park Ranger Steve Perez said the center has "an enormous roof profile" and is seeking rain catchment tanks not being used to beautify the park.

Donors may receive a tax donation receipt for them and Perez said, "I am happy to take care of pick up." Call 951-659-3850 or email spperez@rivco.

New VA clinic in the desert

The Veterans Administration (VA) Loma Linda Healthcare System opened a new state-of-the-art primary care facility at 72700 Dinah Shore Drive in Palm Des-

Veterans will have access to primary care, behavioral Trees are stressed by overcrowding; fire-dependent health, telemedicine, preventive medicine, neurology, infectious disease, lab, audiology services and more.

The clinic will serve veterans from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday. The clinic will be closed weekends and federal holidays.

Veterans enrolled at the Palm Desert VA clinic can schedule appointments through the VA Loma Linda Healthcare System central appointment line at 909-825-7084 ext. 5085, or at www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portalweb/home.



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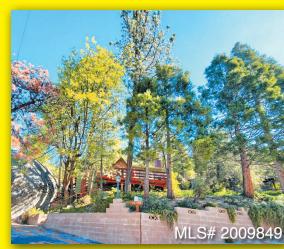


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Deficit dropping as supervisors review budget

By JP Crumrine Correspondent

At the May 17 meeting of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, County Executive Officer Jeff Van Wagenen reported that at the end of June, the county's projected deficit in discretionary funds for fiscal year (FY) 2021-22 would be \$3 million, significantly less than the projection when the budget was adopted nearly a year ago.

He also organized a budget workshop at the end of the board meeting to discuss the schedule and plans for bringing the proposed FY 2022-23 budget to the board.

This is \$50 million less than when the board adopted the budget last year. The reduction is the result of continued growth in revenues, such as sales and use taxes (\$11.2 million), prior year and miscellaneous (\$8.8 million), documentary transfer taxes (\$8.3 million), Redevelopment Agency residual assets (\$6.4 million), and motor vehicle in-lieu taxes (\$5.7 million).

Also, the current estimate of the county's reserves at the end of the fiscal year is \$368 million, up \$17 million from three months ago.

This quarter, Van Wagenen recommended a \$2.2 million adjustment from the Contingency Fund. The board unanimously approved the budget changes at the meeting.

This fiscal year, the county has used \$5.5 million of its \$20 million set aside for contingencies. One of the largest adjustments was the November approval of \$770,000 to augment Code Enforcement staffing for weekend work.

"This next fiscal year will bring challenges as we continue to align our county policy and budget priorities with our rising costs and limited financial resources," Van Wagenen wrote in his request for the FY 2022-23 budget workshop at the close of the May 17 session. In the workshop, he described the steps his office and county departments were

taking to present the FY 2022-23 budget, which should be published about June 1. The annual departmental budget hearings are scheduled for June 13 and 14 and the final budget approval is anticipated before the end of June. "In fiscal 2021-22, our costs continue to exceed our revenue," Van Wagenen re-

ported. "But as reported for the 3rd Quarter, we are moving into a better position as revenue increases. Next year, after nearly 10 years of deficit, Van Wagenen will continue efforts to

create a structurally balanced budget. He told the board, "Our goal is to reduce that and ultimately eliminate that deficit."

The 2022-23 revenue projection is currently \$1.013 billion, an increase of nearly \$40 million. Also, he anticipates that federal funding for pandemic fiscal problems will not be used to balance the budget.

Nevertheless, Van Wagenen mentioned several departments and issues that will need substantial revenue as the board reviews the new budget. For example, the surge in firefighting hiring will require an another \$1 million, the Registrar of Voters estimated that implementing the Voters Choice Act could cost \$2.1 million, and Code Enforcement will need another \$500,000 to continue the seven-day work week approved last fall.

He mentioned that deferred or delayed maintenance could require \$160 million

And importantly, the revenue estimates are still dependent upon the direction and strength of the nation's and state's economies.

Two vacancies on Fern Valley Water board

By Becky Clark **EDITOR**

Last month, Richard Schnetzer, who was appointed in October 2014 to replace Ron Korman on the Fern Valley Water District (FVWD) Board of Directors and retired from a career in special education, announced he had sold his home, and he and his wife were moving closer to family.

Walter Bonneau Jr., a retired electrical engineer, selected Oct. 16, 2020, to replace Trischa Clark on the board, said at last Friday's meeting that his house is in escrow, and he and his wife plan to move full-time to Arizona.

The remaining directors, Robert Krieger, Gary Erb and Jon Brown, will be seeking replacements for both seats. Bonneau's replacement will be sought as soon as his house closes escrow.

Applicants for Schnetzer's seat must apply at the FVWD office by Tuesday, June 7, for selection at the Friday, June 17 regular board meeting.

In other business last Friday, Bonneau noted that residential water sales for March-April 2022 were just over \$30,000 compared to more than \$41,000 last year. Multiple residential water sales were up from just over \$6,000 to nearly \$11,000. General Manager Victor Jimenez said he could only guess that the residential use is a combination of conservation and FVWD "... may not have as many people up here ..." as it did under COVID. "I can't say with any definitive answer."

FVWD has 1,161 single-residence customers, 13 multiple-residence customers and AstroCamp.

Directors reviewed the fiscal year (FY) 2022-23 draft budget that begins July 1. FY 2021-22 projected income was \$1,712,050 with the draft for FY 2022-23 at \$1,724,550. Projected expenses in FY 2021-22 were \$1,140,163 with FY 2022-23 at \$1,276,819. This will mean reserves will increase from \$1,397,612 to \$1,845,343. Jimenez budgeted \$30,000 for new vehicles because of increased gasoline and diesel

"Diesel is going to rise way ahead of gas ...," said Bonneau. "Is that really prudent?"

Jimenez said the Chevy Tahoe truck he drives gets 15 mpg vs. a new half-ton getting

After some discussion, the board voted to pay down the CalPers retirement balance of \$750,000 with Local Agency Investment Funds (LAIF) because LAIF pays 0.32% interest and CalPers charges 6% interest.

Average water loss for the past 12 months was 15.1%. Jimenez, whose last water management job was off the Hill, said, "There are far [fewer] leaks up here than in the flatlands ... It's difficult to detect leaks because the ground is so thirsty." The crews "have to listen to the lines."



Idyllwild Nature Center Ranger Steve Perez talks to children about wildflowers on PHOTO BY JOEL FEINGOLD Saturday.

California revised budget shows increased revenues/surplus

By JP Crumrine Correspondent

On May 13, Gov. Gavin Newsom released his revised fiscal year (FY) 2022-23 budget. For the first time, the state budget exceeded \$300 billion. His January proposed budget was \$286.5 million. Total expenditures approach \$227.4 billion and revenues are forecast to be \$222.6 billion.

The estimated \$15.4 billion surplus from FY 2021-22 plus new revenues is expected to result in a year-end balance of \$7.7 billion.

Also, the state's "Rainy Day Fund" will be \$23.3 billion, which Newsom said reaches the 10% cap of the General Fund revenues. Another \$13.8 billion is available in the Public School System Stabilization, Safety Net and Operational reserves.

Although stock market conditions and the overall economy have fallen since January, tax revenues from 2021 continued to grow. The overall state surplus is \$97.5 billion. The state's press release with the revised budget said, "The governor's proposal ensures that this year's spending will not hamstring future budgets, calling for \$37.1 billion in reserves including \$23.3 billion for the state's Rainy Day Fund, and spends 94 percent of surplus revenues on onetime expenditures."

As part of his revised budget, Newsom included his \$18.1 billion inflation relief proposal. He described this as putting money "back into the pockets of Californians." This includes \$11.5 billion to taxpayers because of the rising cost of gasoline for vehicles. Also included in this package are funds to reduce public transit costs, emergency rental assistance help, aid to help pay utility bills, health premium assistance under Covered California, and funds for hospital and skilled nursing home staff.

Newsom and the legislature have not agreed on the method to compensate Californians for the recent explosion of gas prices. As of Sunday, May 22, the average price throughout the state was \$6.067 and the Riverside County average was \$5.990. Funding for climate change projects and programs totals nearly \$47.1 billion, of which about a third is this fiscal year and \$32 billion is proposed for FY 2022-23. This includes another \$9.5 billion in the May revision. In his presentation, Newsom compared California's effort over two years to slightly more than the whole federal budget for this purpose in one year.

This includes money for drought relief and water projects, wildfire and forest protection and energy, which includes investments in solar, fuel cells, other technologies, as well as creating a power reserve of 5,000 megawatts. The May revision adds \$8 billion to the energy programs.

The Wildfire and Forest Protection funding proposed for next fiscal year amounts to \$2.1 billion. This will add funds for combating wildfires and protecting California forests to reduce the threat of fire. These projects include forest thinning, prescribed burns, grazing, reforestation, fuelbreaks and new technology to detect wildfires early by creating an Office of Wildfire Technology. "People come from around the world to learn about our best practices," Newsom said proudly. "... we know we need to do more in terms of innovation and technology.'

Nearly \$250 million is planned for new firefighting equipment such as helitankers, engines, bulldozers and Fire Hawks. The May revision adds another \$230 million,

mostly for firefighting staffing, including air attack crews.

The governor also added funds to confront homelessness and the mental health crisis, and for infrastructure including broadband. The May revision includes \$660 million for public safety, including \$262 million to establish the Fentanyl Enforcement Program as part of efforts to quell the opioid crisis, and \$30 million to protect children who are victims of sex trafficking and fund the Internet Crimes Against Chil-

Newsom has spoken strongly for his critical priorities, especially the Reproductive Health Package. There is \$125 million for it in the budget, of which \$57 million was added in his May revision.

The budget press release identified those increases: "... \$40 million for grants to reproductive health care providers to offset the cost of providing care to low- and moderate-income individuals who do not have health care coverage for abortion care services, \$15 million for grants to community-based reproductive health, rights, and justice organizations to conduct medically accurate and culturally competent outreach and education on sexual health and reproductive health issues, \$1 million to develop and maintain a website that provides accurate and updated information to the public on the right to abortion under state law, information about reproductive health care providers, and options for coverage for reproductive health services, including state-funded coverage and programs, and \$1 million for research regarding the unmet needs for access to reproductive health care services."

The unprecedented revenue growth has the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) worried. The increasing revenue poses two concerns.

State laws and constitution actually limit the atate's capabilities for building and using surpluses. LAO says the state is approaching these limits, but the governor's proposal does not adequately prepare for this possibility.

Secondly, LAO fears that a recession may be in the future. "Past experience does not guarantee that we are heading for a recession. In our assessment, however, the risk of a recession is high enough to warrant a downward adjustment to our revenue outlook. As a result, we forecast stagnant revenues in the out-years. The administration, in contrast, anticipates somewhat more growth," LAO wrote in its review of the May revision.

Projecting the economy, especially years in advance, is risky. Just two years ago, the governor and legislature had forecast a major deficit for the past fiscal year, nearly \$30 million difference.

"Doing everything we can to future-proof California," the governor said in his conclusion.

\$50 incentive to open college savings account

National 529 College Savings Day happens each year May 29 and serves as a reminder for families to start saving for higher education.

In recognition of National 529 College Savings Day, ScholarShare 529 is offering a \$50 match for families who open a new account from Thursday, May 26 to Tuesday, May 31. To qualify for the \$50 match, families need to open a new ScholarShare 529 account with a minimum of \$50 and set up monthly recurring contributions of \$25 or more for at least six consecutive months.

ScholarShare 529, administered by the ScholarShare Investment Board chaired by State Treasurer Fiona Ma, is California's official college savings plan and a tax-advantaged way to save, offering families a diverse set of low-cost investment options and tax-deferred growth and withdrawals free from state and federal taxes when funds are used for qualified higher education expenses, such as tuition and fees, computer equipment, books or certain room and board costs.

To learn more about SholarShare 529 and this special promotion to start saving for children's college education, visit www.ScholarShare529.com/529Day.

Free state park pass for some

California State Parks and the California Department of Social Services have made it easier for CalWORKs families to receive a free annual, vehicle day-use pass valid at 200-plus state parks and beaches. Now, families receiving CalWORKS can complete the application on their smartphone in just minutes at cdss.ca.gov/GoldenBearPass.

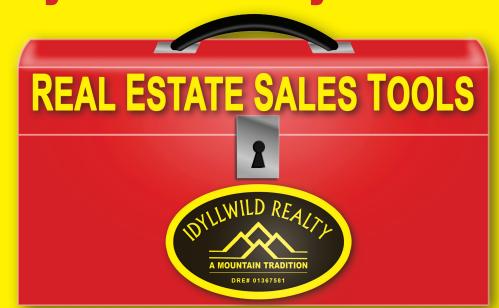
Four of every 10 Californians have no access to open space within walking distance of their home and six of every 10 Californians live in park-poor neighborhoods. The improvements to the Golden Bear Pass Program help advance the "Outdoor Access for All" initiative championed by Gov. Gavin Newsom, First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom and the recently launched "California Outdoors for All" initiative. This effort expands outdoor access to all Californians through focused investments in open space infrastructure, outdoor programming, and improvements to permit applications, with a priority to expanding access in under-served communities.



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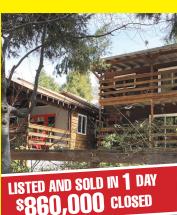


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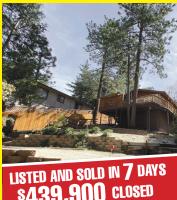
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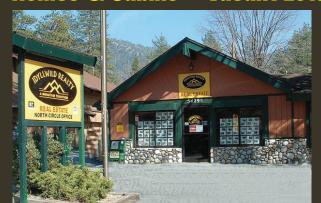


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Wednesday, May 25

- Rotary International of Idyllwild meeting, 7:30 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal
- Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. • Fit After 50, noon-1p.m.
- Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St. • Idyllwild Chamber Orchestra rehearsal, 1-3 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Co-dependents Anonymous,

The Idyllwild Fire Protection

District responded to these

calls from Monday to Sunday,

· May 14 - Public service as-

sistance, 10:24 a.m. Marana-

May 14 — EMS call, provide

basic life support, 23:52 p.m.

May 14 — Power line down,

• May 14 - EMS call, provide

advanced life support, 5:30

May 15 — EMS call, provide

first aid & check for injuries,

May 16 — EMS call, provide

ALS, 10:35 a.m. Valley View

May 16 — EMS call, provide

• May 17 — Power line down,

• May 17 — EMS call, provide

• May 17 — Dispatched & can-

celed en route, 2:35 p.m. Hwy.

May 17 — EMS call, traffic

crash with injury, provide ALS, 3:57 p.m. Maranatha Dr.

May 17 — EMS call, provide

May 18 — EMS call, transport

person, 12:06 a.m. Hwy. 243.

ALS, 8:20 p.m. Maranatha Dr.

ALS, 8:41 a.m. Cougar Rd.

ALS, 9:21 p.m. Palomar Rd.

6:49 a.m. Tollgate Rd.

Idyllwild Fire

May 16 to 22.

Village Center Dr.

3:53 p.m. Tollgate Rd.

p.m. McCall Park Rd.

8:45 p.m. Maranatha Dr.

tha Dr.

NEWS OF RECORD

ley Dr.

6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Thursday, May 26

- Fit After 50, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- AA meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Mountain Communities Mutual Aid food distribution, 1-2 p.m. Camp Maranatha, 54162 Maranatha Dr.
- Al-Anon, 6 p.m. Call Kathy at 951-659-6325 for more information.
- AA "We Don't Know" Agnostic & Atheist, 6-7 p.m. Courtyard building, 54250 Ridgeview Dr.

Friday, May 27

- Fern Valley Water District board meeting, 9 a.m. FVWD board room, 55790 South Circle Dr.
- AA, Daily Reflections, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

May 18 — Motor vehicle vs.

pedestrian, provide BLS, 2:27 p.m. Hwy. 243.

May 18 — EMS call, transport

May 19 — EMS call, transport

May 21 — EMS call, provide

• May 21 — EMS call, provide

ALS, 9:48 a.m. Pine Crest Ave.

May 21 - Public service as-

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May 21 — EMS dcdall, pro-

May 22 — Traffic crash, no in-

juries, 12:01 a.m. Marian View

May 22 — EMS call, provide

• May 22 — EMS call, provide

ALS, 12:47 a.m. Hwy. 74.

ALS, 4:29 a.m. Tollgate Rd.

Riverside County

The Riverside County Fire Department/Cal Fire respond-

ed to these recent dispatches

from Monday to Sunday, May

May 16 — Abdominal pain,

• May 17 — Fire, false alarm,

Fire/Cal Fire log

16 to 22.

Pine Cove

8:45 p.m.

2:34 p.m.

sist, 1:12 p.m. Maranatha Dr.

sist, 8:29 p.m. Rim Rock Rd.

vide ALS, 9:22 p.m. Hwy. 74.

BLS, 5:30 a.m. Strawberry Val-

person, 3:39 p.m. S. Circle Dr.

person, 12:01 a.m. Hwy. 74.

Saturday, May 28

- Healing Rooms, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54295 Village Center Dr..
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Dog Park Saturdays, 3-4 p.m. Rick Barker Dog Park, 26375 Hwy. 243.
- Narcotics Anonymous speaker meeting, 4 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous 5:30 p.m. Parking lot next to the Butterfield Amphitheatre.

Sunday, May 29

- Peace Meditation Practice, tain View, Pine Cove.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Highway 243.

- 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Moun-
- open meeting, noon-1 p.m., Idyllwild Water District, 25945

- May 17 Fire, false alarm, 9:30 p.m. May 20 — Smoke check,
- · May 18 Cardfiac arrest, 1:32 a.m. May 20 — Structure fire, 2:47 p.m.
- May 18 Chest pain, 5:01 p.m. May 19 — Heart problems, 3:21 p.m. 11:17 p.m.
- May 20 Smoke check, false alarm, 10:46 am. May 20 - Smoke check,
- false alarm, 1:59 p.m. May 20 — Smoke check,
- false alarm, 2:42 p.m. May 20 — Structure fire, 2:47 p.m.
- May 20 Fire, false alarm, May 21 — Chest pain, 10:37 p.m.
- May 22 Sick person, 7:19 a.m.

Garner Valley

- May 16 Public assist, 9:58 a.m. May 17 — Vegetation fire, 2:57 p.m.
- May 18 Breathing problems, 11:58 p.m.
- May 19 Fainting, 9:46 a.m.
- May 19 Vegetation fire, 4:15 p.m.
- May 20 Traffic crash, extrication, 1:47 p.m. May 20 — Structure fire, 2:47 p.m.
- May 20 Fire, false alarm, 4:04 p.m. May 21 — Commercial struc-
- ture fire, 2:49 p.m. • May 21 — Traumatic injuries,
- 11:31 a.m.
- May 21 Traumatic injuries,
- May 22 Chest pains, 12:46 a.m.

to the National Housing Act for the purpose of

9:19 p.m.

Monday, May 30

- AA, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. • Fit After 50, noon-1 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, 5:30-6:45 p.m. & 6:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr.

Tuesday, May 31

- Fit After 50, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal
- Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.
- Free ESL class, 5:30-8 p.m. Computer Room, Idyllwild Elementary School, 26700 Highway 243.
- Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.

54000 block of S. Circle Dr. Re-

Handled by deputy.

Dr., 659-3335.

port taken. May 16 — 911 call, 6:02 p.m. 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave.

Wednesday, June 1

54360 Marian View Dr.

Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

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Oakwood St.

• Rotary International of

Idyllwild meeting, 7:30 a.m.

American Legion Post 800,

• Alcoholics Anonymous,

noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal

Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. •

Fit After 50, noon-1p.m. Town

• Idyllwild Chamber Orchestra

rehearsal, 1-3 p.m. Town Hall,

• Climate Change Lobby, 6

p.m. Zoom info by email to

palmstopines.ca@citizenscli-

· Co-dependents Anony-

mous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spir-

it Mountain Retreat, 25661

Community service hours

California Department of

Forestry and Fire Protection

(bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5

p.m. Mon.-Fri. Mountain Re-

source Center, 25380 Franklin

- May 17 Alarm call, 2:07 a.m. Rim Rock Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 18 Harassing phone calls, 12:07 a.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 18 Burglary, 7:47 a.m. 53000 block of Tollgate Rd. Report taken. May 18 — Civil dispute, 12:21
- p.m. 26000 block of Hwy. 243. . Handled by deputy. May 18 — Assault w/deadly
- weapon, 2:06 p.m. 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Arrest made. May 18 — Public disturbance
- 2:26 p.m. Delano Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 Check the welfare, 10:05 a.m. 49000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 Public disturbance 12:04 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 911 hangup from cellphone, 12:20 p.m. Delano Dr. Handled by deputy. May 19 - Public assist,
- 10:31 p.m. Wayne Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 20 Harassing phone calls, 3:26 p.m. Address withheld. Unfounded.

Mountain Center

• May 14 - 911 hangup from cellphone, 11:42 a.m. 53000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled

(3) INSPECTION OF REPORT. This

• Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., Sat. & Sun. (Mon. holidays.) Group tours

by appt. 659-2717.

- Idyllwild Help Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Tues.; noon-5 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 659-
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 659-3850.
- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thurs.-Mon. (Closed New Year's Day, Easter, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day); Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.noon & 1-4 p.m. Mon., Wed.
- Idyllwild Ranger Station, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fri.-Mon., 8 a.m.noon Tues.

 May 14 — Noise complaint, 1:48 p.m. 23000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

Pinyon

- false alarm, 11:20 a.m.
 - May 20 Traumatic injuries,
 - May 21 Unknown medical,
 - 12:54 a.m.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Saturday to Friday, May 14 to

ldyllwild

- May 14 Alarm call, 5:46 Village Center Dr. Handled by deputy. May 14 — 911 call, 7:33 p.m.
- 53000 block of Tollgate Rd. Handled by deputy. • May 15 - Alarm call, 8:56
- p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy. May 16 — Unknown trouble.
- 2:39 a.m. Idyllmont Rd. Handled by deputy. May 16 — Abandoned vehi-
- cle, 6:51 a.m. Delano Dr. Handled by deputy. May 16 — Unattended death, 11:10 a.m. Address withheld.
- Report taken. May 16 — Suspicious person, 11:24 a.m. Riverside County
- Playground Rd. Handled by May 16 — Vehicle code violation, 3:31 p.m. Delano Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 16 Burglary, 3:47 p.m.

Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed

by deputy.

Hwy. 74. Report taken.

May 15 — Noise complaint,

10:38 p.m. 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

4:49 p.m. 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

• May 18 - Man down, 5:53 p.m. 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as MINTY'S DESIGN at 4790 North Winners Circle, , Unit A, Palm Springs, CA 92264, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 4324, Palm Springs, CA 92264, JONA-THAN THOMAS MINTON, 4790 North Winners Circle, Unit A, Palm Springs, CA 92264.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above June 6, 2017. 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).) Registrant Signature: IONATHAN THOMAS MINTON Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 29, 2022.

FILE NO.: R-202205534 NOTICE - IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GEN-

ERALLY 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 SEC-TION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REG-ISTERED 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 PROFES-SIONS CODE). Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regu larly published once a week or oftener, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective

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.

publication dates not counting such publica-

tion dates, are sufficient. The period of notice

commences with the first day of publication and

PETER ALDANA, County Clerk

CVCO2201542 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Pub. TC: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2022.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 505 S. Buena Vista Rm. 201, Corona, 92882. Branch name: Corona Branch

FOR CHANGE OF NAME

JACINDA AMBER PACHECO TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: JACINDAAMBER PACHE-CO filed a petition with this court for a decree

changing names as follows:

Present name: ERIC ANTHONY PA-CHECO-HINO changed to Proposed name: ERIC ANTHONY PACHECO 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection

is timely filed, the court may grant the petition $\,$ without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING

a. Date: 6/15/2022 Time: 8:00 AM, b. The address of the court is same as

noted above. 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Riverside, Idyllwild Town Crier. Date: APR 27 2022

TAMARA L. WAGNER **IUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT** Pub. TC: May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2022

Notice is hereby given The undersigned will sell at public online auction by competitive bidding on or after 12:00pm June 1st. 2022 for the purpose of satisfying lien for the storage and will be held online at, www. StorageTreasures.com. The property has been stored at San Jacinto Self Storage, 1137 S San Jacinto Ave. in the city of San Jacinto. County of Riverside State of California

This notice is given in accordance with the

provisions of section 21700 ET. Seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State

Auctioneer's Site: https://www.storagetrea-

All units listed contain miscellaneous household items and furniture. Unit numbers and identity of Occupants renting each

James Nicholson 129 - Josefina Pizano

Pub. TC: May 12, 19, 2022

of California.

TS No: CA07001724-16-2-HC APN: 549-271-013 TO No: 8775803 NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE WHEREAS, on January 18, 2008, a certain Deed of Trust was executed by LORRAINE C. FAY, A SAVINGS BANK DBA PROVIDENT BANK MORTGAGE as Beneficiary and STEWART TITLEOFCALIFORNIA, INC., CAas Trustee, and was recorded on January 25, 2008, as Instrument No. 2008-0039724 in the Office of the County Recorder, Riverside County, California; and WHEREAS, the Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and

Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant

providing single family housing; and WHEREto the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms AS, the beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not an assignment dated January 24, 2011, and guarantee that the property will be vacant. The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented recorded on March 4, 2011, as Instrument No. 2011-0101119, in the office of the County Recorder, Riverside County, California; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days covenants and conditions of the Deed of Trust before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the in that the payment due on February 21, 2016, default or defaults upon which the foreclosure was not made and remains wholly unpaid as is based did not exist at the time of service of of the date of this notice, and no payment has this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all been made sufficient to restore the loan to amounts due under the mortgage agreement are currency; and WHEREAS, the entire amount tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in delinquent as of May 13, 2022 is estimated to be \$433,028.22; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction default, the Secretary has declared the entire of the property is completed. The amount that amount of the indebtedness secured by the Deed must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated of Trust to be immediately due and payable; prior to the scheduled sale is \$433,028.22 as NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers of May 13, 2022, plus all other amounts that vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage would be due under the mortgage agreement Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq. if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Se retary's designation of MTC Financial Inc. dba expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting Trustee Corps as Foreclosure Commissioner, notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's recorded on January 21, 2016, as Instrument No. 2016-0022111 notice is hereby given that attendance at the sale, reasonable and cuson June 28, 2022 at 09:00 AM, local time, all tomary costs incurred for title and lien record real and personal property at or used in consearches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs nection with the following described premises incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner ("Property") will be sold at public auction to for recording documents, a commission for the the highest bidder: Commonly known as: 25097 Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs HOWARD DRIVE, HEMET, CA 92544 LOT incurred in connection with the foreclosure 13 OF TRACT 8554 AS SHOWN BY MAP ON prior to reinstatement. Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for FILE IN BOOK 95, PAGES 85, 86 AND 87 OF MAPS, RECORDS OF RIVERSIDE, COUNcancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be TY, CALIFORNIA The sale will be held At the submitted to the address of the Foreclosure bottom of the stairway to the building located Commissioner provided below. Date: May at 849 W. Sixth Street, Corona CA 92882. The 13,2022 Rosenda Cardenas, Authorized Sig-Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid \$439,970.40. There will be no proration natory MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Foreclosure Commissioner 17100 Gillette Ave, of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 Fax: except that the purchaser will pay, at or before 19-252-8330 Order Number 82443 closing, his prorata share of any real estate Pub. TC: May 19, 26, June 2, 2022. taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$43,997.04 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$43,997.04 must be presented before the ASSESSMENTS CHARGES

bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale. the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00. paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in

the form of a certified or cashier's check made

payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high

bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration

of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward

the amount due. If the high bidder is unable

to close the sale within the required period, or

within any extensions of time granted by the

Secretary, the high bidder may be required to

forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the

foreclosure commissioner after consultation

with the HUD representative, will be liable to

HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such

failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction

of the HUD representative, offer the property to

the second highest bidder for an amount equal

to the highest price offered by that bidder. There

is no right of redemption, or right of posses-

PINYON PINES COUNTY WATER DISTRICT N62011 Stonecrest Road Mt. Center, CA 92561 Fax - Phone 760-349-3261 www.pinyonpinescwd.ca.gov NOTICE OF HEARING ON WATER

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the

General Manager of the Pinyon Pines County Water District as (1) FILING OF REPORT. A written report has been prepared and filed with the secretary

concerning the proposed Water Standby Assessments for the fiscal year 2022-2023 pursuant to Resolution #122.

PROPOSED ASSESSMENT. This report contains a description of each parcel of land and the amount of the assessment oposed to be evied for said fiscal year on each parcel

as follows:

(2) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND

(a) Thirty dollars (\$30) per year for each acre of land or parcel of land less than one acre for all lands within the boundaries of Pinyon Pines County Water District.

(b) Such water standby charge shall not apply to any parcel of land less than one and one-quarter acres (1 1/4) on which an active service connection exists thereon on or before July 1, 2022. (c) With respect to tracts of one and

one-quarter acres (1 1/4) or more, one and one-quarter (1 1/4) acres of land shall be exempte from the water standby charge for each active service connection which exists thereon on or before July 1, 2022.

sion based upon a right of redemption, in the No billing for such assessment shall be mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure ndered, instead the amount of the assessment completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the shall be added to the county tax roll and shall be collected together with general taxes.

(4) HEARING ON REPORT. A hearing on said report will be held before the Board of Directors at 9:00 am on June 5th, 2022 at 62011 Stonecrest Road,

report is available for inspection by calling the District at (760) 349-3261.

 $Mountain\,Center, Pinyon\,Pines, California.\,At$ this hearing, the Board of Directors shall hear and consider all objections or protests, if any, to said report

and upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board may adopt, revise change, reduce or modify any assessment or overrule any or all objections This Notice is given pursuant to Sections 31032.1 through 31032.9 of the Water Code of

the State of California Thomas Huss General Manager of the Pinyon Pines

County Water District and for the Board of Directors thereof

Pub. TC: May 19, 26, 2021. FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as GRACE REAL ESTATE at 80916 Hwy 111, Indio, CA 92201, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 80916 Hwy 111 Indio, CA 92201. ROGER LYNN GRACE

80916 Hwy 111, Indio, CA 92201. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above

07/01/1992. 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),)

ROGER LYNN GRACE Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 18, 2022. FILE NO.: R-202206506

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GEN-ERALLY 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 SEC-TION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REG-ISTERED 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 PROFES-SIONS 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: May 26, June 2, 9, 16, 2022. NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. State Street in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California, will sell at Public Auction to be hosted online at www StorageTreasures.com on May 9th 2022 at 10:00 A.M. by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described Personal property. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, boxes, misc. tools & equipment. This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of section 21700 ET. Seq. of the Business and

Professions Code of the State of California.

H36 - DiFrancesco, Thomas G98 - Pico, Kari D317 - Williams, Arleatta

A104 - Ferraiuolo, Scott - Cristina H12 - Martin, Josh B318 - Lizardi, Jhoatan

E121 - Sandoval, Sonia

A127 - Mendez, Julio B334 - Martin, Nyshelli E102 - Navarro, Jr., Miguel

Auction to be held on June 9th, 2022, @ Online at www.StorageTreasures.com Pub. TC: May 26, June 2, 2022.

> NOTICE OF VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR 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 Richard Schnetzer. 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, June

17, 2022 via teleconference and electronically INTERESTED FERN VALLEY LAND OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR AN APPLICATION TO BE INCLUDED WITH THEIR LETTER OF IN-TEREST AND RESUME TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE NO LATER THAN JUNE 7, 2022 THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 55790 SOUTH CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA OR YOU CAN SUBMIT BY MAIL TO PO BOX 3039

FERN VALLEY WATER DISTRICT Date: MAY 23, 2022

IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

By: Jessica Priefer, District Secretary. 55-790 SOUTH CIRCLE PO BOX 3039 IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

PHONE (951) 659-2200 FAX (951) 659-0350 Pub. TC: May 26, June 2, 2022. NOTICE OF WAREHOUSEMAN'S

LIEN SALE In accordance with the California Commercial Code 7209 and 7210, HEMET PARK

ESTATES LLC will sell the mobile home located at 1400 E MENLO AVE SPC 32, HEMET, CA 92544 by public sale on 06/14/2022 at 10:00 AM. The sale will take place on site. The mobile home is a SKYLINE FREEDOM Serial # 0871S5208 DECAL # AAS3626. The total amount of the warehouseman's lien through 06/14/2022 is \$25,529,23. This lien is based on a termination of tenancy notice dated 02/26/2018. Legal demand has been made to the registered owners, legal owners and/or lienholders to pay the lien, yet no payment was tendered within the required period. In order for you to be permitted to bid at the sale, you must be in possession of cash or a cashier's check equal to the minimum starting bid of \$25,529.23. Upon purchase, the mobile must be removed from the premises. Please call 909-889-2000 for more details. Pub. TC: May 26, June 2, 2022

Pine Cove

fined. Handled by deputy. May 16 — Check the welfare, 8:42 p.m. Address undefined.

• May 15 — Abandoned vehicle, 7:19 a.m. Address unde-

Handled by deputy. May 16 — 911 call, 8:44 p.m.

Acorn Ln. Handled by deputy.

 May 18 — Suspicious vehicle, 12:10 p.m. 52000 block of Sylvan Wy. Handled by deputy. • May 19 - Trespassing, 9:57

a.m. Oates Ln. Handled by deputy.

 May 20 — Alarm call, 1:15 a.m. Tall Pines Rd. Handled by deputy.

May 19 — 911 call, 6:22 p.m. Bunny Ln. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino

Pine Meadows

Garner Valley

National Forest • May 14 — Danger to self/other, 7:55 p.m. 56000 block of E.

May 15 — Noise complaint, 3:41 p.m. 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

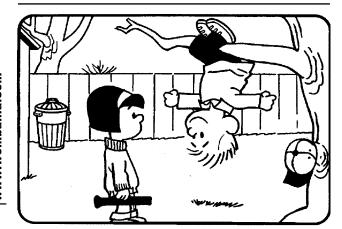
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by PETER MARINACCI

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The dilemma of property insurance on the Hill

By David Jerome Correspondent

The California Department of Insurance (CDI) is rolling out new regulations mandating that insurers in the state offer discounts to policyholders who undertake fire hazard mitigation and structure "hardening." The rules are intended to make decisions about rate and risk more transparent and more tuned to the specific risk of an individual property, as opposed to just the zone it is

The new regulations give the insurance industry 120 days to comply, meaning they are expected to take effect this summer. Other regulations that may take effect this year include a mandate that the California Fair Plan offer, in addition to its present plans covering only fire and related threats, plans approaching the traditional comprehensive plans offered by standard

An April 13 public hearing allowed consumer interest groups to put forward comments on the proposed regulations regarding risk assessment. United Policyholders wrote that under the present system, "Wildfire risk models that failed to distinguish between properties that have very distinct wildfire risk profiles have been the blunt instruments and guiding forces behind the rate segmentation of double and triple-digit rate increases that are financially crippling residents in rural areas." Confirming an experience common to local homeowners, they went on to say that "[w]ith very few exceptions, insurers non-renew without identifying risk reduction improvements that could preserve the coverage or giving the homeowners a chance to improve their risk profile. With few exceptions, most homeowners are reporting that their premiums doubled or tripled at renewal and their only option was the California Fair

The comments go on to suggest there is a path forward; that insurance costs can motivate citizens to action, in this case mitigation, and that "[a]ligning costs to mitigation can prompt that action!"

Homeowners may experience a sort of fatalism, thinking "if a catastrophic wildfire hits my community, my abatement and mitigation won't count for much." But recent history shows this thinking is wrong. In the state's most destructive fire, the 2018 Camp Fire, the town of Paradise alone lost over 14,000 homes. But comments submitted to the CDI by Consumer Watchdog, Consumer Federation of Paradise, built to meet California's 2008 fire-resistant nity and IFD. building codes, survived ... while just nine percent of older homes did." This means that even in worst-case scenarios, individual decisions and actions make a difference, and each year Idyllwild sees many house fires contained before they spread to neighboring structures, owing to the good work of firefighters, but also the homeowners' abatement efforts.

Presently, some insurers already offer discounts to homeowners in high-risk areas who undertake wildfire risk mitigation, and as Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara's proposed regulations have gone through the process of public comment, more insurers have gotten with the program.

news release in February including a link to a list of insurers who are on board, noting that "[c]urrently, 17 insurance companies representing 40 percent of the insurance marketplace have answered Commissioner Lara's call to offer discounts, up from just 7 percent of the market ... three years ago ...

On the other hand, reporting by El Dorado County

Democrats (edcdems.org) noted that Governor Newsom's 2020 emergency declaration protected 2.4 million policy holders in highest risk areas from cancellations, but that the insurance companies have "pivoted to increase non-renewals in other areas to mitigate their impacts." New regulations or executive orders often have unintended consequences, and the businesses affected tend to look for a way around them.

The new regulations also mandate that consumers be able to review and appeal the scores used to assess their wildfire risk. Currently, the process of assessing risk is complicated and opaque. Hemet-based insurance broker Bob Severns explained to the Crier that "over 200 factors come into play when quoting a homeowner policy. ... Standard companies can get very particular as to how a house is built." Traditionally, this was focused mostly on the home's construction; details like type of roofing and siding, a structure's age, and its plumbing and electrical, etc. In the CDI's "statement of reasons" that accompany the new regulations, it notes that "one scoring system often relied upon by insurers has assessed wildfire risk based solely on a property's fuel (i.e., vegetation), slope, and firefighter access.

The statement goes on to say that "[t]he proposed regulation requires insurers, in assigning wildfire risk scores or otherwise classifying wildfire risks, to conduct a more granular, and thus more accurate risk assessment. By requiring insurers to include wildfire mitigation measures — and the reduction in risk therefrom in their risk assessment — insurers' rates and premiums will no longer be excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory due to failure to consider mitigation measures.'

The goal of the regulations is to incentivize risk reduction and to stop "discriminatory" rate increases, where homes with equal risk would pay different rates based on little more than a ZIP code. New risk models allow a more granular approach to individual properties. Community-based mitigation actions also will have to be factored into risk assessments.

Idyllwild Fire Department (IFD) Chief Mark LaMont told the Crier he had "in fact heard from several property owners whom [sic] have stated that they realized reduced insurance premiums after informing their carriers of the Idyllwild Fire ISO PPC Class 2." He is referring to the Insurance Service Office's Public Protection Classification system, which rates local fire departments and community preparedness on a scale from 1 (the best) to 10 (the worst). Idyllwild's score was "low-

LaMont went on to stress, "[P]roperty owners should definitely ... shop multiple sources for insurance, and contact their broker/agent to inform them of the ISO PPC Class 2 within their community, which should bring their premiums down. Property owners should also document their abatement efforts/safety improvements, and 'Home Hardening Efforts' on their property, and, they should mention IFPD's ISO PPC Class 2 status when having these conversations with

A new tool allowing homeowners and prospective buyers to evaluate wildfire risk at a more granular level was rolled out last week. Nonprofit First Street But not all. The state's site (insurance.ca.gov) sent a Foundation released a nationwide wildfire risk assessment, which CNN has called a "massive trove of data that shows homeowners and business owners how atrisk their property is to wildfire." Realtor.com will integrate this tool into its website, allowing prospective buyers to better understand the risk at any individual address.

The First Street Foundation Wildfire Model comes injunction.

with a report titled "Fueling the Flames," which bears grim tidings: Riverside County places at the top of the nationwide list in number of properties with at least 0.03% (three in 10,000 or 1% over 30 years) risk of burn-

This reporter visited the site, riskfactor.com, and read that his home had 6/10 fire factor, meaning it has been assessed as having a 10.58% chance of being affected by wildfire over the next 30 years. The risk is given as 0.19% this year, growing to 0.53% annually in 30 years. This risk rating was shared by many neighboring addresses, although the percentages vary slightly. Risk, the site reminds us, accrues like interest, growing into

Some İdyllwild addresses entered in the site yielded higher numbers, seven being common. Visitors to the site also will find fire history for their community, in addition to numbers for flood risks, and links to many other resources quantifying the environmental changes driving rising risks and the mitigation efforts of individuals and communities.

These new regulations regarding transparency in fire risk assessment are not the only ones that may soon affect policyholders. In November 2019, Lara ordered Fair Plan to come up with a plan to offer a basic comprehensive, or HO-3, policy for homeowners in wildfire areas. Currently, homeowners who cannot insure themselves through the normal or "voluntary" market go to a Fair Plan broker for a policy covering only fire, smoke, explosion and lightning, and then purchase a separate policy called a "Difference In Conditions" policy coverng everything else, including liability.

Fair Plan covers about 200,000 California homes. Expanding its mission would require it to process many more claims. Returning to local insurance broker Severns, "The carrier is not set up to do that. It sounds great, but it needs to be a fluid situation on the back side; America, and Consumer Federation of California, ered from 3 to 2, which you very rarely see," according they need the manpower to handle it. They don't have state that: "[f]ifty-eight percent of the new homes in to Severns, and is a source of much pride in the commuacidation a claims department that can take on traditional claims set up right now.'

The insurers responded to the new regulations with a lawsuit, California Fair Plan Association v. Ricardo Lara, arguing that Lara had exceeded his authority, and asked the court to annul or vacate the order. In a statement, Fair Plan held that the new rules "would negatively impact consumers and further destabilize the voluntary insurance marketplace because the order provides no incentive for the private market to offer insurance in areas at risk of wildfire."

After a preliminary injunction, the case went back and forth until July 2021, when the Los Angeles Superior Court ruled that the commissioner had the authority to require the Fair Plan to offer insurance that included liability coverage, but that the HO-3 policy would need "some customization" to stay within that authority. Subsequently, in September, CDI issued order 2021-2, requiring a "quasi HO-3 policy"; less than traditional comprehensive, but still forcing Fair Plan to offer coverage beyond fire. In February 2022, the court denied the Fair Plan's request for another

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IWD finally adopts conservation stage

By Becky Clark **EDITOR**

Fern Valley Water District (FVWD) has been in Stage 3 since September 2021, Pine Cove Water District has been in Stage 2 since Feb. 1 and Lake Hemet Municipal Water District just restated its water conservation program since August 2015.

On March 28, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed an executive order urging water agencies to take more actions to conserve water supplies.

Idyllwild Water District (IWD) has been the only hold-out on the Hill, saying it had plenty of water and did not need to conserve. However, Wednesday, May 18, due to public pressure, General Manager Leo Havener agreed to go into Stage 2 effective Wednesday, June 1.

Former IWD Director Dave Hunt has repeatedly attended board meetings hammering a point: that IWD, based on its own stage criteria, should have gone into Stage 2 back in August based on demand. Stage 2 requires the IWD demand to be between 51% and 60% for three consecutive months. Demand was at 55% in May, 56% in June and 66% in July.

In order to drop back to Stage 1, the demand would need to be 5% or more below the threshold of 0% to 50% for Stage 1 for two consecutive months. It only did that in November 2021 at 43%.

"The wells are in great shape. The static well is above average. It's kind of hard to justify," said Havener, though he agreed to find the signs and post them around

IWD is developing a new water policy to determine when to go into stages.

IWD supplied 1,086,675 cubic feet to its system in April and sold 999,270 cubic feet. The district saw an 8% water loss. Of water supplied, 99,000 cubic feet came from the Strawberry Creek diversion. Foster Lake has been nearly empty for several years due to drought.

Most of the water came from eight wells — four at Foster Lake, two in Fern Valley, one on Golden Rod and one on Stratton property.

A leak at the IWD office required 20 feet of pipe to be replaced. Another 20-foot section will be replaced in the future.

While FVWD reported a big decrease in water sales this year compared to last year, IWD reported an increase of 24.9% over 21.3% last year. FVWD General Manager Victor Jimenez could not explain the drop but thought it was possibly due to fewer people because of COVID restrictions being lifted. Havener supposed the reason of the increase was due to lifting of COVID restrictions, however, IWD does serve the majority of business customers on the Hill.

Havener pointed out in his report to the board that water supplies to the system are showing no big spikes either up or down between July 2012 and now. He said IWD will be "close to average by the end of the year."

The preliminary design efforts are ongoing with the new Wastewater Treatment Plant. A formalized computer-aided design was expected to be completed last Friday so IWD could offer a figure to negotiate a land transfer to Idyllwild Arts Academy.

An easement needs to be acquired for the new Strawberry Creek Diversion Project. At the moment, the tape wrapped around is hanging off the pipes. "Engineering design will begin once [California Environmental Quality Act report] is completed, and an easement has been acquired," wrote Havener in his report.

The board unanimously agreed 3-0 to hire Terra Nova Planning and Research Inc. to prepare the report at \$23,195. This agreement came toward the end of the meeting when Director Les Gin, who was teleconferencing, had lost contact. Vice President Peter Szabadi was absent.

As of the meeting, about 1,000 new radio water meters had been installed with 600 to 700 to go. A customer complained to the Town Crier that his water rates have gone up significantly. IWD attributed this mainly to bad readings from the old meters, though it could mean the customer has a leak or could be another issue.

The board held a public hearing to consider water and sewer standby assessments for fiscal year 2022-23 for undeveloped parcels and the sewer service area. The fee of \$30 per acre did not change. Both rates passed unanimously 4-0 with Szabadi absent.

The board reviewed the proposed fiscal year 2022-23 budget. President Charles Schelly tabled a vote on the budget for next month to give directors time to review it.

Total revenues proposed are \$3,112,178 with expenses proposed at \$2,222,586. IWD expects its reserve fund balance to be \$2,317,692.

Lake Hemet water district restates water emergency

By Becky Clark EDITOR

The Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD) Board of Directors restated its declaration of a water shortage emergency, Ordinance No. 176, last Thursday, an ordinance that was adopted Aug. 20, 2015.

The restated Ordinance 176 was passed, 4-1, with Director David Jorgensen voting

The ordinance "restricts new or additional service connections." It acknowledges that California continues to experience drought conditions and, "as a result of these ongoing drought conditions, the District desires to amend and restate Ordinance No. 176 in its entirety to adequately reflect the current state of affairs with respect to water shortages both within the State and the District ..."

In his General Manager's Report, Michael Gow wrote that Lake Hemet is at 121 feet. He said 118 feet is half full by volume and 135 feet is full. "The irrigation demand is now being supplied by stream flow, purchases of raw imported water from [Eastern Municipal Water District], LHMWD's Well 17, and groundwater banked with the Watermaster [one in charge of the distribution of irrigation water from a main canal] through the associated wells. Lake releases will not begin until late summer or early fall when supplies are expected to be at their lowest levels. In addition, waiting to release lake water will allow higher lake levels during the peak recreation season."

Not only would LHMWD restrict new or additional connections, but the ordinance allows the district "to discontinue service to consumers who willfully violate the regulations and restrictions of the District ...

"The District Board of Directors also finds that, despite efforts to replenish the water, the canyon water basin is dropping, the upper San Jacinto wells remain low, and that the water level at Lake Hemet is currently at one-half capacity.

"The District Board of Directors further finds that there is no recharge water available and that the State of California and the District will remain in drought conditions and a state of emergency for the foreseeable future.

"The District Board of Directors believes that compliance with Governor Newsom's Executive Orders and consequent State Water Resources Control Board Resolutions, and to maintain adequate water levels within its service area cannot be achieved if the District permits new or additional water connections for continued development within the District's service area during the current drought conditions ...'

LHMWD allows certain exceptions, mostly applying to Hemet areas, not Garner Valley. The restrictions and exceptions can be found at www.lhmwd.org/Conservation.aspx.

Spotting a scammer

According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), like spring cleaning for your finances, Financial Literacy Month is a great time to dust off knowledge for spotting and avoiding scams. The best way to make a clean getaway from a scam? Listen to how they tell you to

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"Go to a store with a cryptocurrency ATM, put your money in to buy cryptocurrency, and use this QR code to send it to this address." That's a scam.

Scammers have lots of stories about why you need to pay — like pretending they're calling from the government, a business, utility, tech company or even a charity. Or they'll call about a family emergency. Or maybe they call with an alert about a virus on your computer that needs fixing. No matter what they say, they'll pressure

Ordinance 927

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ing or dropping an STR were other questions whose res-

olution is complex, he stressed. Leonard advised his colleagues that planning staff

was not recommending adopting any language implementing caps or limitations. However, if one were adopted, Leonard thought there would be a reduction in the number of legal STRs accompanied by an increase in the number of illegal STRs.

"This is an overriding issue in Idyllwild and the Wine Country," said Commissioner Gary Thornhill (3rd District). He then asked Robert Magee, Code Enforcement director, "What are the number one issues related to STRs overall?"

"The number one issue is noise and the number two is parking," replied Magee.

Public comments

Among the multitude of public speakers were Patrick Reitz, former chief of the Idyllwild Fire Department, and Sherry Edwards of Pine Cove. Both supported the suggestion to impose a cap or limitation on the number Future workshop topics of STRs within some neighborhoods.

Reitz acknowledged the difficult position the commission had trying to find a single solution to the STR issues. However, he warned them of the fire dangers in Idyllwild of which many visitors from lower elevations were unaware.

In particular, Reitz urged the commission to ban charcoal barbecues. Idyllwild has taken this step, but in the county areas surrounding the community, charcoal grills and fires are permitted.

when dumped on the ground," he stated.

He also repeated his concern from April. The draft includes insufficient penalties to significantly reduce the number of illegally operated STRs. He advocated higher fines and a tiered system for loss of an STR certificate op-

"Illegals are the major problem," he stressed to the commission.

Commission's changes

During the commission's discussion, all five seemed to have concern about how the draft ordinance treated two items — hosted versus unhosted facilities and whether unrelated multiple groups could be booked concurrently.

"Hosted or unhosted is a key element in operations and should be addressed, the sooner the better," said Commissioner Eric Kroencke (5th District). "Unhosted off-site management requires a different sort of rules." Thornhill expressed similar thoughts, too.

In response, Hildebrand explained that the principal ing spacing or distance requirements between STRs as a month or month and a half.

reason for limiting bookings to single parties or groups way of limiting the proliferation of STRs. was STRs are in residentially built structures. The building standards for residential facilities are less rigorous Hosted versus unhosted management than the commercial, and stricter, codes for hotels and motels. Booking unrelated parties or groups seemed to be for facilities such as motels.

After County Counsel Sarah Moore read the state code that defines hotels and motels as offering more than six rooms for rent and occupancy, the commission then agreed to change the proposed ordinance to allow facilities with an on-site host and five rooms or less to offer their occupancy to multiple groups con-

The commissioners also accepted Hildebrand's recommendation to modify sections 8 and 9 to delete the requirement that hosting platforms must display the certificate number for an STR and to collect the Transient Occupancy Tax. This will be encouraged, and he said the county already has an agreement with Airbnb to do that.

Both of these changes will be incorporated into the draft ordinance presented to the board of supervisors.

more issues and to arrange a public workshop, perhaps within the next six weeks, to discuss them.

The five future changes include establishing caps or limitations for the number of STRs within a certain neighborhood, whether to regulate hosted sites differently than unhosted facilities, how to calculate occupancy and whether STRs in high-fire areas should be located on a paved road.

At the suggestion of Thornhill, the question of caps "Charcoal is a problem when lighted and again might be addressed with physical spacing or distance requirements. For example, county code requires a specific distance separating marijuana dispensaries, he noted. This potential treatment of limitations also will be addressed in the workshop.

Caps or limitations

The need for caps and limitations was a frequent public comment and request, which the commissioners recognized needed more focus, particularly on how to implement.

Both Leonard and Thornhill expressed lack of support for specific numerical limitations.

Speaking to this issue, Leonard said, "I hoped we wouldn't go in that direction. No matter what limitation, somebody will argue it's arbitrary and, to some extent whatever number you come up with, it is. I hope we can deal with [caps or limitations] through location poli-

suggestion that Hildebrand study the possibility of us-

In addition to its agreement to allow hosted sites with fewer than five rooms to book multiple groups, the commission was essentially unanimous that staff investigate whether hosted facilities should or could be regulated differently than unhosted sites.

Thornhill urged Hildebrand to try to differentiate between facilities where the owner or manager lived onsite from ones in which no one other than guests stayed

Occupancy

How to calculate occupancy was another frequent public comment. Leonard noted that many speakers referred to how other jurisdictions calculated potential occupancy. He then asked Hildebrand to create a chart comparing the various methods of local cities and neighboring counties so the commission had a more informed and data-based choice.

Paved versus unpaved roads in high-fire areas

Early in his summary of the issues emerging from Hildebrand committed to an in-depth study of five the public comments was Leonard's concern about the location of STRs in high-fire areas.

"STRs in high-fire areas should be on paved streets." I'm not advocating for paved driveways," he averred. "There should be paved access whether on a public street or not."

Hildebrand urged more guidance from the commission on how this could be implemented, such as how close to a paved road a property had to be.

"Presumably the property has been legally subdivided and has a building permit. It should have sufficient access, but there may be circumstances where it may not be adequate," he replied. "... we don't know how many homes could be precluded because they're not on a paved road in a high-fire area. If we restrict properties not in close proximity to a paved road, we'll need to walk through the details on how it

And Leonard agreed that "as it stands today, this topic needs to be evaluated in-depth and part of the phase 2 workshop.'

Commission vote

The commission discussed the issues surrounding regulation of STRs for more than an hour. At the conclusion, members unanimously approved sending the draft Ordinance 927 to the supervisors with the two changes to which they had agreed.

A workshop to discuss in further detail the five is-Near the end of the discussion, Thornhill offered his sues they could not resolve will be scheduled in the future. Hildebrand thought this might occur within a



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Idyllwild gives to high school seniors

The Idyllwild community stepped up again to generously donate monies to the Idyllwild Scholarship Fund (ISF). Nine high school seniors, who submitted applications and were interviewed, received a total of \$47,000 to help them with their college educa-

Tuesday night, May 17, a reception was held at the Idyllwild Library for the scholarship recipients, their families and friends. A ceremony was conducted to present awards and congratulations to the students.

The ISF Committee appreciates all individuals who donated to the fund with special recognition to the fol-lowing community organizations: American Legion Auxiliary, Community Church Bashford Family Scholarships, İdyllwild Community Fund, Idyllwild Association of Realtors, Mountain High Escrow, P.E.O., Rotary Club, Rotary Anns and Soroptimists.



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Steele T9 in the **PGA Championship**

By Jack Clark PRO GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele scored his best finish in one of the PGA Tour's four major golf championships last week, turning in rounds of 70-72-69-68 to post a 1-under-par 279, which tied for ninth place. He notched an eagle and 13 birdies against 12 bogeys and a double over the four tournament rounds.

The Idyllwild native's drives averaged 310.6 yards, finding 60.7% of the fairways and hitting 70.8 of the greens in regulation. He lost only about a quarter of a stroke to the field with the putter.

Brendan was not originally scheduled to play in the PGA Championship this year, but a last-minute cancellation by another player allowed him in and he responded with a fine top-10 performance, his first in a PGA major. He also had a T6 finish in the 2017 The Players Championship, universally dubbed "the fifth ma-

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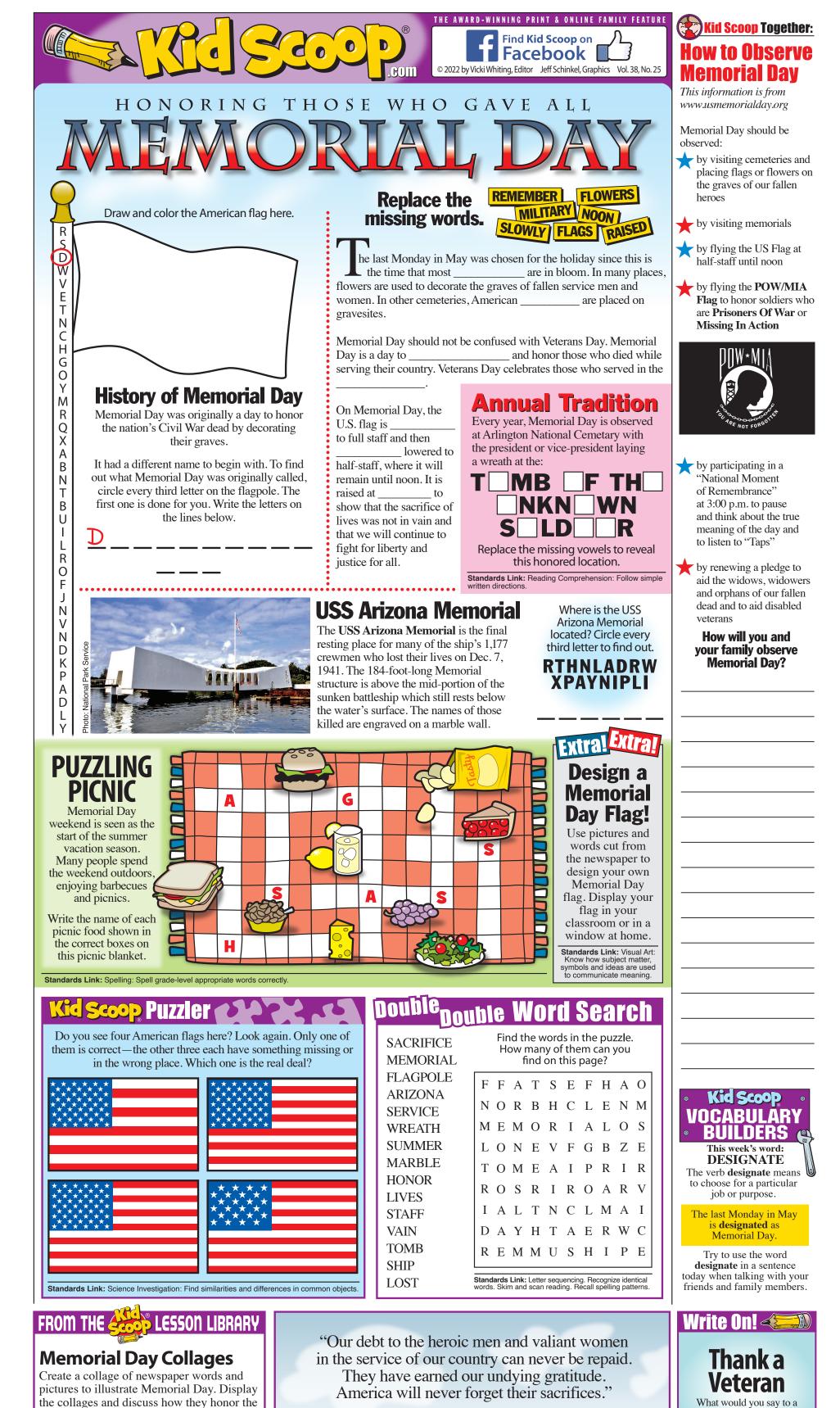


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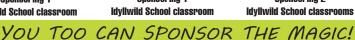
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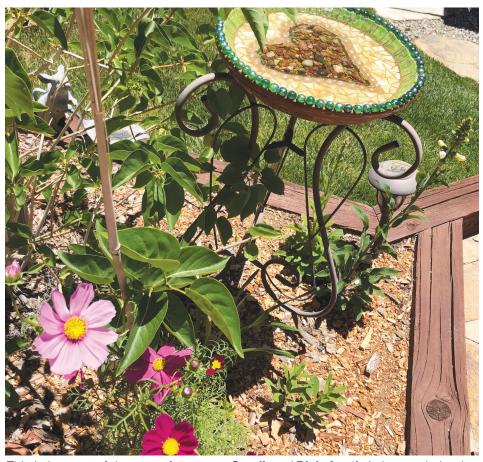


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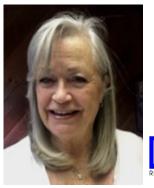
Mary Knab (left) of St. Hugh's Episcopal Church spoke about the labyrinth and the history of labyrinths at the Idyllwild Rotary Club Wednesday morning, May 18, at American Legion Post 800. President Reba Coulter thanks her with a Rotary



Scatlish, from left, Erik Lingren, Chris Scott, Bill Sheppard and David Atwood, playing at Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery Saturday afternoon. PHOTO BY BECKY CLARK







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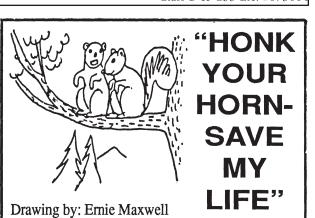
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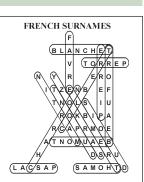
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41 Young fellows

44 Musical finale

40 Hertz rival

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Drawing by: Ernie Maxwell

CROSSWORD

(Answers on previous classifieds page)

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March 21 – April 19

A heads-up alert to all free-spirited Ewes and Rams: Be wary of a deal that could result in compromising your independence. Check every detail before making a commitment.



April 20 – May 20

New facts emerge that help put an irksome workplace situation in perspective. Meanwhile, pay more attention to a family member who needs your wisdom and strength.



May 21 – June 21

A slight setback in plans is nothing to worry about. Use this delay to deal with a number of matters you might have ignored for too long. Expect news from someone in your

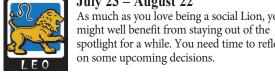
You're entering a period of stability. Use it



to straighten out any outstanding problems related to a very personal situation. Also, pay

June 22 – July 22

closer attention to financial matters. July 23 – August 22 As much as you love being a social Lion, you



spotlight for a while. You need time to reflect on some upcoming decisions.

August 23 – September 22 A difficult family situation improves, thanks to your timely intervention. You can now start to focus more of your attention on



September 23 – October 22 An on-the-job change works to your benefit by offering new opportunities. It's

preparing for a possible career change.

stalled romantic situation starts up again. October 23 – November 21 That flare-up of Scorpian temperament

cools down, leaving you more receptive to suggestions about changes that might need to

up to you to check them out. Meanwhile, a



November 22 – December 21

be made in your personal life.

An unusual period of indecisiveness is a mite frustrating. But things soon clear up, allowing the sage Sagittarian to make those wise pronouncements again.



December 22 – January 19

You might feel that you know best, but it's not a good idea at this time to try to force your opinions on others. Best advice: Inspire change by example, not by intimidation.

fortify your financial situation. But things



start moving again by early next week. Meanwhile, enjoy your resurgent social life.

January 20 – February 18 Some setbacks could affect your plans to

February 19 – March 20 Show that often-hidden steely spine of yours as you once again stand up to an emotional bully. You've got the strength to do it, especially as friends rally to your side.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

(Answers on previous classifieds page)

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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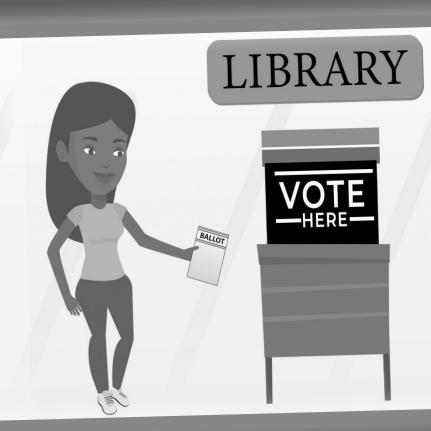
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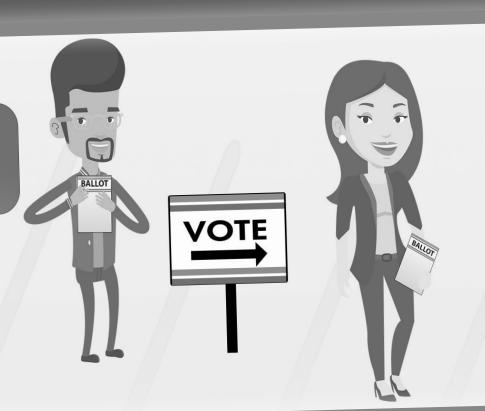
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1273 & ENTETZTAINMENT

Event charges may apply. See ads throughout the issue. Email editor@towncrier.com.

Wednesday, May 25

- Forest Folk cribbage, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Library.
- · Storvtime: "Planting a Garden" with Miss Susan, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
- LEGO Play Day for Adults, 3-5 p.m. ldyllwild Library.

Thursday, May 26

· Temple Har Shalom yard sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 54615 S. Circle Dr.

Friday, May 27

- · Memorial Day Yard Sales, see page B10.
- Temple Har Shalom yard sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 54615 S.
- · James Taylor Tribute, Bryan Goodhead, 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

Saturday, May 28

- · Memorial Day Yard Sales, see page B10.
- · Rotary Club's Apfelphannkuchen (apple pancakes) breakfast, 8 a.m.-noon. Town
- · Temple Har Shalom yard sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 54615 S. Circle Dr.
- · Memorial Day Barbecue, 3-7 p.m.; Change Required band, 7:30-11 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- · Patrice Morris & Tony Bolivar, 3-6 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

Sunday, May 29

- · Memorial Day Yard Sales, see page B10.
- · Temple Har Shalom yard sale, 9 a.m.-noon. 54615 S. Circle Dr.
- · Change Required, 2-5 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting

Monday, May 30

- · Memorial Day Yard Sales, see page B10.
- Memorial Day Service & Flat Retirement Ceremony, 11 a.m. American Legion Post

Tuesday, May 31

- Mah Jongg, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Crochet Club with Stella, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Li-

Wednesday, June 1

• Forest Folk Cribbage, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Library.

Monday, June 6

- Crochet Club with Stella, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Li-
- Chess Club, 2-6 p.m. new fire station. Idyllwild Library.

Tuesday, June 7

- Mah Jongg, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- · Crochet Club with Stella, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Li-

Cardiff



75 years ago - 1947

Idyllwild's first switchboard was installed at the home of Jess Brown. When prodded for comment, less said, "Just don't have anybody phone anybody before 9:30 Sunday morning."

65 years ago - 1957

May was headed for the wettest on record, with 4.54 inches of rain and snow recorded for the month. Season's total stood at 20.33 inches and there was snow in the high country.

55 years ago - 1967

commissioners voted to purchase a portion of the Idyllwild Inn property as a site for the

45 years ago - 1977

Baker in the Forest was preparing to blow out two candles on a specially baked birthday cake. Öwners Allen Goodman and Hilary Phelps invited the general public to join the celebration.

40 years ago - 1982

A discussion of the Idyllwild dump was on the agenda of a Town Hall meeting County Super- set up for Idyllwild Shut- surance and drivers for ingreplaced.

visor Kay Ceniceros was leading.

35 years ago - 1987

An on-site wastewater disposal zone was formed in the Idyllwild Water District, but wasn't expected to begin operation until

30 years ago - 1992

The Rotary Club, realizing its yearlong dream, installed the north and south poles and raised the very first display banner over North Circle Drive for the Rotary's pancake breakfast at Town Hall.

20 years ago - 2002 The local Meals on Wheels program was in jeopardy because of budget cuts.

15 years ago - 2007

A reportedly vicious pit bull, tied up and left by its owner at an Idyllwild County Park campsite, had gotten loose and was shot by Riverside County Sheriff's deputies.

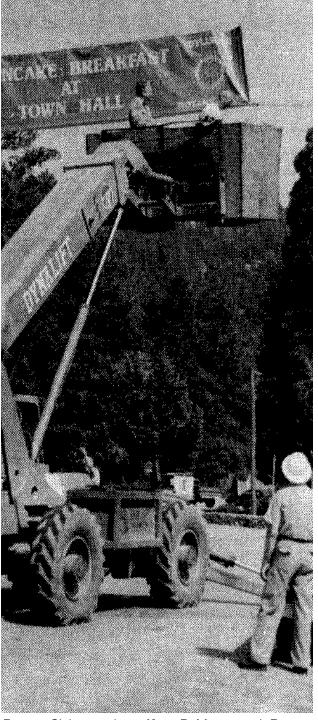
10 years ago - 2012

Idyllwild Water District directors were reviewing a draft ordinance for mandatory use of recycled wa-

5 years ago - 2017

Idvllwild Fire Protection District commissioners voted 4-0 to establish a Joint Powers Authority to provide fire and emergency service to the city of San Jacinto. Commissioner Larry Donahoo was ab-

1 year ago - 2021



Rotary Club members Ken Dahleen and Barney Brause hang the very first banner on the new south and north poles between the Fort and the Red Kettle in May

tle and was helping pay the passenger van that was

A GoFundMe had been for fuel, maintenance, in- desperately in need of be-

UREATURE

By Janice Murasko

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," the ARF cats welcomed a litter of kittens.

Phil: Adoption news! Harley: Clearly, it wasn't us.

Phil: Right, but it is still good! Sadie was adopted, but that leaves Pepper still looking for her forever family.

Whiskers: And I've heard there is another new ARF dog

Phil: You are so right! ARF has a puppy named Rio. He is only 4 or 5 months old, but he's already housetrained, cratetrained and likes other dogs.

Harley: What about cats?

Phil: Rio is fine with cats. He'll be such a great family member.

Don: And he is very cute. He is about 23 pounds and probably a pit bull-mix. No one knows his history because he was found abandoned in a dry river or wash. Poor thing. He is lucky a kind woman rescued him.

Rio: (bounding into the room) Are you talking about me?

Don: Hi, Rio! Yes, we were Sparkle talking about you and what a great puppy you are.

Rio: I will make some family very happy. Where are the kittens?

Harley: Come with me. They're in the kittenry. Three have been spoken for, leaving two boys, Carmel and Corona, waiting for their forever humans.

Whiskers: No doubt they'll be chosen very soon.

Rio: I hope I'm chosen soon.

Harley: You will be, I'm certain.

Don: This coming weekend people may shop at ARF's yard sale and then visit us.

Corona

Phil: So, in addition to going home with terrific yard sales finds, they could go home with a new family member.

Don: Perhaps!

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. ARF is open Saturdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sundays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and during the week by appointment. Please call 951-659-1122.

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Mass Incarceration and Police Reform - Rabbi David Lazer
May 24 at 6:15pm Idy Library Following Lag Ba'Omer connecting to theme of
military occupation by the Romans in the 2nd century. Sponsored by JFed
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Yard Sales

"Vintage - Vintage" 26141 Hemstreet Pl. Great yard sale. Cabin & cottage style decor & furniture. Yard art by Blue Dog, tools and so much more. Plus great prices. Fri. & Sat., 8:30 am to 4 pm. May 27 & 28. (1)

Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr. Idyllwild historical memorabilia from our archives - Collectibles, puzzles. LPs. 45s. CDs. DVDs. cassettes (audiobooks), vintage pop & classical sheet music, art, office supplies, tools, Christmas, Halloween & much more. Sat. 5/28, 9 am to 3 pm. All purchases benefit the Museum. (2)

Kitchenware, glassware, antique bottles, asian ceramics, fishing equipment, trade beads, New Guinea spears, Curtis prints, and clothing. 27240 Saunders Meadow Rd. Sat., May 28th, 9 am - 4 pm. (3)

Tools, 15-ton pneumatic clicker press compressor, motorized bicycle parts, new & used. 12 volt parts, camping equip., motorcycles, vintage '47 GMC. Everyday 10 - 5, except Mon. & Tues. Mountain Mike Custom Leather. (5)

Hiking gear, 12-string guitar, china service for 12, jewelry, espresso machine, craft materials, camera & attachments, artwork, frames, kitchenware, crystal, clothing, & much more. May 28 - 29, 9 am. 25451 Shadow Oaks Dr, Pine Cove. (6)

55050 Strong Dr. HUGE art sale. Original silk paintings, lithos, oil paintings, posters & more from three estates... also one slate gray sofa (like new), McGuire style dining table with six chairs, (newly upholstered and recovered), two Rattan arm chairs, some area rugs & much more (7)

GARAGE SALE - Multi family Lots of good stuff. Friday, May 27th and Saturday, May 28th. 7 am to 4 pm. 25554 Scenic Dr. (4)

Yard Sale. 8am - 1pm. Fri. & Sat., May 27 & 28. Lots of treasures, indoor & outdoor items, housewares, collectibles, clothes. A little bit of everything. 25601 Scenic Dr. off South Circle. (8)

Yard Sales

Sale Fri., Sat., Sun., 9 to 3. 52780 Idyllmont Road, near IdyArts, off Tollgate Road. Frankoma dishes, furniture, books, crafts, clothes, & lots more. (9)

YARD SALE: May 27th -28th 7:30 am. Burrow grey Like new (14) piece set loveseat with 2 chairs, wood of chrome free weights, table, small table, vanity with 7 lbs. - 50 lbs. plus rack. bench, big bike picture, fridge, freezer, 8 qt pressure cooker, toaster oven, crock pot, table saw, tile saw, and lots more!!! 53125 Overlook Drive, Pine Cove (off 243.) (10)

Many unique & unusual designer items leftover from furnishing new house. Items include: accessories, furniture, lighting, art, mirrors, baskets, fabrics, spreads & quilts. All priced to sell. Fri., Sat., Sun., 8 am to 12 pm. 53591 Silver Fir Drive. (15)

53300 Meadow Drive. 8 am to 3 pm. Fri., Sat. & Sun., May 27 - 29. Mens clothing; camping gear; tents; stoves, small boats; tools for cars and vard. houseware. rugs. bicycles. (11)

Great garage sale. Mostly collectibles from former antique shop. Ryobi table saw. May 27, 28, 29, 9 am to 4 pm. 52560 Pine Ridge in Pine Cove. (12)

Two in one: Yard sale to support Spirit Mountain Retreat & David Salk Pottery sale. 9 am - 3 pm on Fri. 5/27 & 5/28. 1/2 price Sun. 9 am - 1 pm. 53960 Pine Crest Ave. Exquisite jewerly & more. (14)

All has to go. Dave's Mobile Mechanic and Portable Welding going out of business. Going on road sale. Auto shop & welding tools, power tools, hand tools, trash trailer. 2005 Yamaha VStar 1100, old IH tractor 4x4, fishing gear. 54295 Live Oak St. Fri., Sat., Sun. 8 am to 5 pm. (13)

Mile High Store Owners Collective in the huge back yard. 54385 N. Circle Dr. (Backyard entrance across from Sunflower Cafe) Variety of garage sale items, including furniture, clothing, motorcycle, etc.. Let us surprise you. 9 am - 4 pm. Fri. - Mon. (16)

25445 Palomar Rd. Friday to Sunday. 7 am to 1 pm. Household items and furniture. (17)

Yard Sales

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sures!!! Temple Har Shalom yard sale. Thursday, May 26th thru Sunday, May 29th. 9 am to 4 pm. 54615 South Circle Dr. Furniture, clothes, electronics. (18)

more info. 951-223-0062

Yard & art Sale. 53500 Toll Gate Rd. Art, antique furniture, other furniture, clothes, China cabinet and China, tools and lot's more. (20)

Yard Sales

Memorial Weekend Yard Multi-community trea- Best yard sale ever is back. 3'x5' never installed solar panels, tools, buildbargain prices. 24820 Marion Ridge Dr., Pine Cove. 8 am - 5 pm. Fri., Sat., Sun. & Mon. (19)

> Huge garage sale. 54127 Linger Lane on May 27th - 29th from 9 am - 2 pm. Reduced price, last TOOLS, building material, chance \$300. Text for furniture, dishes, linens...!

> > Yard sale. Fri. & Sat. Leather couch, lounge chair, Sears patio furniture, baking pans & dishes, tea pots. Lots of goodies. 25201 Palomar Rd. 7 am. (23)

Yard Sales

Vintage Cabin YARD SALE RH linen couch, tables, art, antiques, coling materials, art all at lectibles, toys, pottery, dishes, books, mags, designer fixtures & garden, misc. vintage accessories, home decor-even a kitchen, sink. Cool stuff! 9 am - 2 pm. Sat. only, May 28. 25475 Scenic San Jacinto. (24) Dr. (22)

> Fern Valley Inn. Household items, furniture, lamps, collectible board games. Corner Fern Valley Rd & Tahquitz. 25210 Fern Valley Rd. Friday & Saturday, 9 am - 1 pm.

Yard Sales

TOOLS GALORE! Newin-box power washer, ceiling fan, wheelbarrow. Garden, hand & power tools, kitchenware, clothing, rolling rack, fans, heaters, shop vac, fitness, linens, sleeping bags. Sun. & Sat., 9 am - 3 pm. 25265 Palomar Rd. b/w Dickenson &

Moving sale Memorial Day Weekend. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 7 am to 2 pm. 25130 Fern Vallev Rd. Tools, Furniture, dishes, antiques, books, DVDs, outdoor furniture, misc items, home decor. Everything goes! (26)



MAY 26 - MAY 29 LOCATION: 54615 S. CIRCLE DR.

THS ANNUAL YARD SALE

Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild is pleased to announce our (twicepostponed) Annual Yard Sale. Please come and support our warm and caring community, as well as looking through a yard full of lightly used items.

The sale dates/hours are:

Thursday, May 26 / 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Friday, May 27 / 9:00 am - 4:00 pm **Saturday, May 28** / 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Sunday, May 29 / 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: 54615 S. Circle Dr.





We are delighted to announce the appointment of our new, inspirational Rabbi, Ilana Grinblat.

She has led high holidays at Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild for several years and is excited to begin serving the community as their rabbi this spring.

If you are interested in learning more, please email us at templeharshalomofidyllwild@gmail.com, call us at (951) 468-0004 or visit templeharshalomidyllwild.org