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# County plans park and road work on the Hill

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

At its May 23 meeting, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved funding proposals from both the Regional Parks and Open Space District (RPOSD) and the county's Transportation and Land Management Agency (TLMA). The request from both agencies included projects on the Hill during the next fiscal year (July 2023 through June 2024).

## Parks

RPOSD requested approval to use \$11.8 million the county received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R. 1319). In two payments, the county received a total of \$479.9 million to be used for infrastructure, housing and homelessness, workforce development, neighborhood revitalization, business revitalization, child care facilities and nonprofits.

Of the six RPOSD projects, the district plans to spend \$1.5 million to improve accommodations at Lawler Lodge. This work will make the site much more accessible for visitors with disabilities.

Lawler Lodge was built in 1919 and is a Riverside County Historical Landmark. The site, north of Idyllwild on Highway 243, consists of a large lodge building and several ancillary cabins. The lodge is located at the bottom of a hill and access is difficult for those with mobility disabilities. This project would restore two of the ancillary cabins located above the lodge, making them available for use and making one adjacent to the parking lot an ADA accessible short-term lodging unit.

Some of the other RPOSD projects include boat launch repairs at Lake Skinner, paving at Rancho Jurupa Regional Park, and trails work and habitat restoration along the Santa Ana River.

## Roads

The TLMA plans to do many road projects throughout the county. This funding is from the state's Road and Repair Accountability Act. During fiscal year (FY) 2023-24, the county expects to receive \$45.1 million for road work.

In the request, TLMA stated that the average pavement condition in unincorporated Riverside County was given a C- rating in 2020, by the American Society of Civil Engineers. This is the focus of the work to be funded.

Senate Bill (SB) 1 was passed in 2017 to improve the state's aging transportation infrastructure, particularly roads and bridges. Without SB 1, these needed road repair projects would have been shelved until funding became available. These funds are restricted to a "Fix-It-First" approach. Local agencies are required to focus on roadway rehabilitation and maintenance to improve the condition of their existing infrastructure, according to TLMA.

Among the dozens of projects TLMA will work on during FY 2023-24, three are in Idyllwild. North and South Circle drives, from Village Center Drive around to Highway 243, will be resurfaced as will Fern Valley Drive from South Circle Drive to Humber Park. The agency estimates the work will be completed this October. Total cost for resurfacing the three streets is projected to be \$3 million.



In honor of the Memorial Day holiday, first and second grade students in **Connie Chavez, Victoria Kyriss, and Christina Tierheimer's** classes presented a patriotic program for fellow students and parents Friday, May 26, in the Idyllwild School gym. The songs and two plays were bookended by the American Legion's Color Guard, which started off the event with a flag presentation and finished it with "Taps," performed by **Jim Nutter**. The first play, presented by **Mrs. Kyriss's** class, was all about the good deeds of **George Washington and Abraham Lincoln**. The second play (above), presented by **Mrs. Chavez's** class, told the story of **Betsy Ross**, who sewed the first flag for the original 13 colonies of the United States.

PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON

# Perez offers own comments on STRs at listening session

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

Wednesday, May 24, Riverside County 4th District Supervisor V. Manuel Perez held his third recent listening session at Town Hall as he and the community become acquainted with each other. It was the second one dedicated to Idyllwild's short-term rental (STR) situation and the amendment of Ordinance 927.1. As before, Planning Director John Hildebrand and members of the local STR Committee Jon Brown, Woody Henderson, Anna Duitruk and Mark Dean joined him. Committee members Jane Oliver and Joel Feingold were unable to attend. Other county officials present included representatives of Transportation and Land Management, Code Enforcement (CE), Sheriff's Department and Idyllwild Fire Chief Mark LaMont. The hall was mostly full, but not as crowded as previous sessions.

In the three meetings so far, comments have circled around a number of issues: Neighbor complaints of noise, nuisance and road blockage, fire evacuation concerns, and the loss of the real but hard-to-measure value of having actual neighbors. On the other side of the ledger, STR proponents espouse their economic benefits, not just to owners, but to housekeepers and other support crew, and downtown businesses. Owners spoke of their right to benefit from their investment, the unfairness of the STR certificate moratorium, and attribute the problems to a few badly managed STRs. Owners and realtors expressed concern with the "bust" that has followed the COVID-related "boom," and suggest that the market will correct the density issue. Many speak of how STR income allows them to realize the dream of owning a cabin in Idyllwild, and those who came here before ask the STR owners to consider how that affects the "dreams" of long time, often retired, neighbors.

Perez' opening comments acknowledged that not all attendees may feel comfortable filling out speaker forms with personal contact information. He said the forms could be filled out anonymously and all would be read. Wishing to hear from people who had not previously spoken, tonight he would recognize speakers from back to front.

The supervisor discussed his thinking about changes to the ordinance. He said he was "leaning toward" a cap on new STRs, but was unsure of numbers, and supports better enforcement, with an "actual sheriff," especially after 10 p.m.: "one (deputy) sheriff full-time and maybe another part-time to back him or her up." This officer should be able to "hand out strikes," fines and penalties that could escalate to loss of license. Perez said he hoped to finish work on the ordinance by September and would like to see the moratorium on new STRs lifted in Mountain Center "even sooner." In previous sessions, STR owners from there maintained that they do not have the density problems Idyllwild has.

Perez said new enforcement, either CE or sheriff, should be paid out of TOT taxes (10% in the unincorporated county) and he is looking at the amount of tax money coming out of the area. He has asked the tax collector to provide these numbers; that promises to be a coming attraction for the next session. "Making sure that that money stays here" was the supervisor's applause line.

CE gave an update on notifications for STR owners. With 1,300 STRs in the county, and approximately 500 in this area, "we are working toward, by the end of June, notices for parking and signage ... that everybody's been put on notice that is in violation, and then from there we'll work forward on the enforcement." Asked for clarification, the officer said CE counts 501 STRs for Idyllwild "in the system" and 20 "Notices of Violation" going out for unregistered units. In response to a question about motels having or being counted as STRs, Hildebrand explained that motels are zoned as commercial properties and are outside the STR system. They are often advertised on the same platforms as residential STRs, leading to some confusion for citizens trying to count them.

Brown asked about the 24/7 nature of nuisance issues, and was told CE's hours are until 10 p.m., and that complaints have to be ongoing, repeated problems, like a late-shift resident who blasts loud music at predictable times, for CE to "flex-shift" and respond outside normal hours.

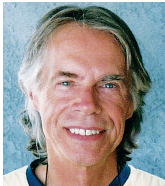
Hildebrand addressed a common complaint from STR owners: not receiving notifications from the county. He said many accounts include incorrect addresses and contact information in the system created by their "previous partners," and this information is migrating to the new system (run by Deckard Technologies). STR owners need to visit [www.RCTLMA.org/shorttermrentals](http://www.RCTLMA.org/shorttermrentals) and open an account. Only 40% of STR owners have activated an account. Renewal notices mailed out have been returned for bad addresses, including property address instead of PO box. Later, during public comments, the CE officer explained that logging in and entering their information is "a requirement" for all STR permit holders, and that the county does not enter information on paperwork into the system.

Public comments began with an STR operator pointing to "many more issues beyond" the bad ad-

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The little girl with her mom in the picture is named **Idyllwilde**. She just turned 3 and while she's met and potentially been one of the first to be deputized by the previous **Mayor Max**, she really wanted to meet **Mayor Max III**. Her mom and dad, **Bronwyn** and **James Friscia**, and younger brother **Sagax**, all live in San Diego full-time, but love coming up to Idyllwild and have done so for many years. The town's name has some word magic and they find peace when they're up here, and wanted their daughter's life to be filled with peace and adventure, hence the name Idyllwilde with a slight spelling change. They also wanted to honor **Phyllis Mueller** and appreciate her contribution to the town.

PHOTO BY JOEL FEINGOLD

# Newsom underestimates deficit dangers, LAO says

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

On May 12, Gov. Gavin Newsom announced his revised budget proposal for fiscal year (FY) 2023-24, which begins July 1. The Assembly has to pass a balanced budget by June 15.

As in January, the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) is pessimistic about the administration's revenue projections for the next several years.

"Based on our [revenue] assessment, there is a roughly two-thirds chance revenues will come in below May Revision estimates. As such, while we consider the May Revision revenues plausible, adopting them would present considerable downside risk," LAO wrote in its initial comments on Newsom's revision.

In a report last week, LAO was more specific. Between this FY (2022-23) and next, LAO's revenue estimates are \$11 billion less than the administration's estimates.

In the budget summary, the administration did acknowledge the possibility of bigger problems if the economy turns negative. "Based on a moderate recession scenario in fiscal year 2023-24, revenues could decrease by \$40 billion in 2023-24 alone, largely driven by losses in personal income tax. Revenue declines relative to the May Revision forecast could reach an additional \$100 billion through 2026-27."

Without accounting for those possibilities, LAO states, "... assuming the Governor's May Revision policies were adopted, the budget problem for this year is \$34.5 billion — \$6.2 billion higher than our estimate under the administration's projections."

"[To] eliminate the operating deficit in 2024-25, revenues would need to be roughly \$30 billion higher than our forecast," LAO wrote in its latest report on FY 2023-24. "Our analysis suggests that level of revenue is very unlikely —

there is less than a one-in-six chance the state can afford the May Revision spending level across the five-year period."

Therefore, LAO warns the Legislature that future near-term budgets will need "revenue increases, cost shifts, and other spending reductions."

For FY 2023-24, LAO urged the Legislature to stop funding one-time spending and approving future appropriations. "Most of this spending no longer appears to be affordable," according to the LAO report, which recommends eliminating \$18 billion for these promises.

Newsom's proposal projects the state to have \$42 billion

in reserves on June 30 and \$26.5 billion at the end of FY 2023-24. The difference is the dwindling budget surplus.

LAO recommends using \$22 billion of reserves to help offset the growing deficits. However, the combination of eliminating one-time spending and using reserves still leaves a \$14.5 billion amount to be eliminated through revenue increases (such as taxes) or spending reductions.

Nevertheless, demands for a greater share of budget continue to be extolled for hospitals, transportation, homelessness needs and, even, businesses still recovering from the effects of COVID-19 on sales and staff.

## Manny & Linda Rider, Doug & Pat Austin and The Idyllwild Rotary Club grant scholarships to Michael Stroud, Geneva Dagnall & Ryan Lawrence.



Michael Stroud - Idyllwild Arts (left), Geneva Dagnall - Hemet High School (right),  
Ryan Lawrence - Western Center Academy (not pictured)

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Wednesday 5/31

 **66/42**  
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Thursday 6/1

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Partly Cloudy


Friday 6/2

 **64/41**  
Sunny


Saturday 6/3

 **67/42**  
Sunny


Sunday 6/4

 **68/46**  
Mostly Sunny

Monday 6/5

 **69/44**  
Partly Cloudy

Tuesday 6/6

 **67/43**  
Partly Cloudy


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Idyllwild this year				
Date	High	Low	P	S
5/23	73	48	0.00	0.0
5/24	70	44	0.00	0.0
5/25	67	39	0.00	0.0
5/26	63	31	0.00	0.0
5/27	69	35	0.00	0.0
5/28	71	43	0.00	0.0
5/29	68	36	0.00	0.0

Idyllwild last year				
Date	High	Low	P	S
5/23	77	45	0.00	0.0
5/24	81	50	0.00	0.0
5/25	82	50	0.00	0.0
5/26	80	50	0.00	0.0
5/27	79	49	0.00	0.0
5/28	66	47	0.00	0.0
5/29	63	49	0.00	0.0

The Town Crier's Idyllwild daily high and low temperatures and rain and snow totals in the past were taken directly from the National Weather Service website, which gets its Idyllwild weather information from automatic weather sensing equipment at Idyllwild Fire Station, an official NWS COOP reporter. [We are seeking reliable Idyllwild and Pine Cove full-time residents to provide this information. Residents who follow CoCoRaHS procedures would be strongly preferred. CoCoRaHS is an organization of private, amateur weather observers that provides carefully collected data for use by the NWS. If you are interested in providing us with rain and snow reports, please contact [jack@towncrier.com](mailto:jack@towncrier.com) or (951) 659-2145.]

Our weather season is July 1 to June 30. Our season totals now have been corrected for the period July 1 through September 17, 2018, which prior to this issue of the TC had been in error. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit us on the Internet at [www.idyllwild-towncrier.com](http://www.idyllwild-towncrier.com) or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.



A clear day near Idyllwild Tuesday with temps topping out in the mid-60s.

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# Idyllwild resident overturns fire policy cancellation

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

While wildfires are not an annual event, the threat is always present, especially since fire season is now year-round. And fire insurance is critical security for residents and homeowners on the Hill if a fire occurs near their property.

As recently as July 2018, the Cranston Fire resulted in evacuations of several Hill communities and destroyed seven homes while damaging four others.

Insurance companies gamble. They do research and bet that the premiums they collect for coverage, such as fire damage, will be greater than the costs to them when they lose the bet.

However, as the number of wildfires throughout California has increased in this century, many insurance companies are canceling fire insurance policies in areas called “wildland urban interface.” The Hill communities, surrounded by the San Bernardino National Forest, are in such a location.

Last week, State Farm General Insurance Company, provider of homeowners insurance in California, announced, “[It] will cease accepting new applications including all business and personal lines property and casualty insurance, effective May 27, 2023 ... State Farm General Insurance Company made this decision due to historic increases in construction costs outpacing inflation, rapidly growing catastrophe exposure, and a challenging reinsurance market.

“We recognize the Governor’s administration, legislators, and the California Department of Insurance for their wildfire loss mitigation efforts ... However, it’s necessary to take these actions now to improve the company’s financial strength,” the Company said in a late Friday news release.

State Farm’s withdrawal of property insurance affects new policies. It is not yet canceling existing policies, which has been a common reaction to the increasing number of wildfires.

But the good news is that the government — California and its Department of Insurance — is here to help — not tax us, not regulate us, but ensure that our protec-

tion continues in the time after a wildfire and enabling us to secure alternatives if necessary.

Specifically, if the governor proclaims a state of emergency during a fire, which Gov. Gavin Newsom did Sept. 8, 2022 for the Fairview Fire, fire insurance policies are protected for one year. Companies are not permitted to cancel fire policies within the declared area.

Sometimes they ignore this law and the policy owner needs to respond and to challenge the cancellation.

This is exactly what Jeri and Walter John of Idyllwild had to do this spring. They have lived in Idyllwild for more than 40 years and Allstate has provided their fire insurance coverage nearly the entire time. He is a former U.S. Forest Service firefighter and she is a retired Idyllwild School teacher.

Despite a dispute with Allstate in 2022, they have multiple insurance policies with the company. Their fire insurance policy term is June to June.

On March 3, they received notice that Allstate was not going to renew their fire insurance policy this June. The letter stated, “We are writing to inform you that we will be unable to renew the Allstate policy identified above.”

The letter said the reason for the nonrenewal was “Dwellings located in a wildfire area must meet Wildfire Hazard underwriting guidelines.” Among the problems Allstate alleged was inadequate defensible space.

“This is a huge problem. Even with premiums growing, we need the protection,” Jeri said. Yes, they were stressed, but she handled it by initiating efforts to reverse the nonrenewal. “I’m retired and don’t like injustice.”

Allstate sent the letter despite the reminder and notice that California Insurance Commissioner Richardo Lara sent to insurers Sept. 22, 2022. The very beginning of the notice restated California Insurance Code, section 675.1, subdivision (b)(1), “An insurer shall not cancel or refuse to renew a policy of residential property insurance for a property located in any ZIP Code within or adjacent to the fire perimeter, for one year after the declaration of a state of emergency as defined in Section 8558 of the Government Code, based solely on the fact



Walter and Jeri John of Idyllwild. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE JOHNS

that the insured structure is located in an area in which a wildfire has occurred. This prohibition applies to all policies of residential property insurance in effect at the time of the declared emergency.”

Later, Lara specifies that the prohibition applies to “notice of cancellation or non-renewal due to wildfire risk for any policy of residential property insurance ... that are located in a ZIP Code identified by this bulletin.”

The Fairview Fire Proclamation included 22 Zip codes, including 92549, all of which were listed in the Sept. 22 bulletin.

Fortunately, the Johns were aware of this prohibition. (The Town Crier did explain it in a December article). Jeri’s first step was to contact her insurance agent, Richard Mount, in Riverside, whom she said was very kind about this issue.

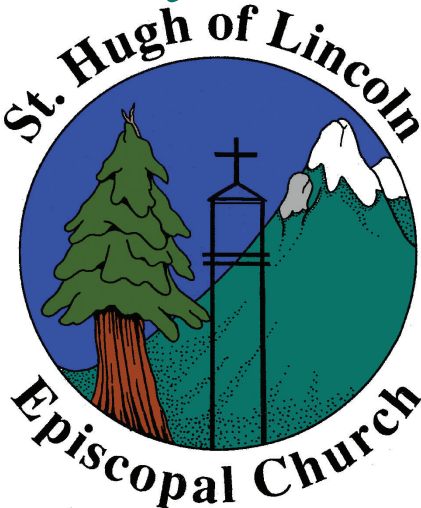
He responded March 14. While he was sympathetic to the John’s objections, he had been unable to convince Allstate to rescind its nonrenewal notice; even though, Mount had, on his own, sent the company a copy of the Lara’s September bulletin.

“Underwriting denied the appeal. They stated the decision to non-renew was based on an unacceptable inspection, not due to wildfire risk,” Mount wrote in his response to Jeri. “I argued that the more stringent in-

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Bishop Susan Snook to celebrate at St. Hugh’s in Idyllwild on June 4th at 11am and will be joined by the Idyllwild Master Chorale to play two pieces from their Saturday concert and to be followed by an old fashioned church potluck.

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Jury trial set in Solis’ sex charges case

By BECKY CLARK  
EDITOR

Local restaurateur Luis Solis Delgado, 44, of Idyllwild, went before the Riverside County Superior Court last Friday for his information arraignment. At the arraignment a trial readiness conference was set for June 30 with a jury trial scheduled for July 14. He is incarcerated at the Southwest Detention Center on \$5 million bail. He is charged with eight felony sex charges involving two minor female children beginning in August 2015 and ending Wednesday, April 26, 2023, the day before he was arrested. One of the felonies has an enhancement that the victim was particularly vulnerable, which he has denied. He has pleaded not guilty to all eight felony charges. He faces life imprisonment if found guilty.

County’s budget is in good shape after three quarters

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

At the May 23 meeting of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, County Executive Officer Jeff Van Wagenen presented the fiscal year (FY) 2022-23 third quarter status. Although the state budget development is encountering increased concerns about future revenue, Van Wagenen told the board, “At third quarter, the county’s financial position remains unchanged compared from the midyear report. While we are showing no change in projected discretionary revenue, our revenues are still anticipated to be significantly higher than they were at the time of the adopted budget.” Since the FY 2022-23 budget was approved in June 2022, revenue growth is exceeding the original budget projection by \$89 million, while county costs have grown only \$16 million, resulting in an estimated \$73 million boost to reserves. The greatest revenue growth has been interest earnings. In June 2022, the county anticipated \$11 million from interest. This has grown 300% to the current estimate of \$45 million. Besides the added \$34 million from interest, the county expects property taxes to increase by \$18.2 million (3.9%) and sales taxes to grow 25%, for an extra \$11.1 million. Van Wagenen is proposing adjustments totaling \$2.6

million to the current budget, which will reduce the contingency fund from \$10 million to \$7.4 million. The Registrar of Voters Office needs \$1.5 million to cover a portion of its recent election expenses. The total cost is about \$5.9 million and the state is reimbursing the county 75% of the total. There also are added expenses for court reporting transcripts and a transfer of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenue to March Air Base. The fourth adjustment is \$600,000 from TOT to Code Enforcement for its enforcement of short-term rentals (STR). Ordinance 671.1, which was enacted in October 2022, increased STR application fees. The STR fees before Dec. 17, 2022, were \$250 with a \$100 annual renewal fee. Currently, the fees are \$740 for new registration and the renewal is \$540. According to Van Wagenen, Ordinance 671.1 is intended to provide an ongoing funding source for Code Enforcement’s efforts related to STR inspections and program management. “As a result, the Executive Office was directed to set aside 50% of the increase in Transient Occupancy Tax generated by Short Term Rentals (using FY 2021/22 as a baseline) to further fund ongoing Code Enforcement activities associated with enforcement of Ordinance 927.1 [Regulating Short term Rentals]. The Executive Office is currently working with the Office of the Treasurer Tax Collector to determine the FY 2023/24 increase in TOT to

support Code Enforcement’s efforts,” he explained in the 3rd Quarter Report. “Code Enforcement is in the process of determining how best to use those new resources as the workload for our Special Enforcement Team continues to be busy regarding short-term rentals,” wrote Felisa Cardona, public information officer for the county’s Transportation and Land Management Agency, in an email to the Town Crier. A slight adjustment (\$3,100) was made in the county’s fund for the Idyllwild Community Center (ICC). A partial reimbursement from the ICC will now be available to the fund in FY 2023-24. Addressing future budgets, Van Wagenen concluded his report with this comment; “As of this report, the near-term outlook appears stable, however challenges are looming in years to come. While we continue to project increased revenues compared to the adopted budget, it should be noted that the pace of growth is slowing down significantly while costs continue to rise to maintain the status quo, let alone increase service levels.” Van Wagenen added that he will present the FY 2023-24 budget proposals to the board on June 12 and, if needed, June 13. He expects the board to approve and adopt next year’s budget at its June 27 session.

STRs

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dresses. Having paid on time, he received “several notices in the mail saying I am at risk of losing my permit.” Calling in, he was told the office was overwhelmed and that he could safely ignore the notices. “It’s great to hear the flexibility in the county ...” but the ordinance is “confrontational” and the threats “stressful.” Hildebrand acknowledged the system has problems and said a new version of the online payment system is being tested and would be available this week. The same operator asked about inspections. Their impression was that an operator may be given a half-hour notice to be present for an inspection. The CE official clarified that there is a one hour required response time for the “listed contact individual” for complaints. CE reaches out to that person to schedule inspections, trying to fit several in the area for each trip. The 60-minute response is still a “fall back” if an operator repeatedly delays and misses appointments but is “not the norm.” A later question elicited a clarification: Inspections are exterior only, to verify the listed parking, the contact signage, and the presence of a noise meter. They are not health and safety inspections. A citizen who identified themselves as a “disabled veteran from the Vietnam era,” described his situation living on an unmaintained road with 10 houses, five of which are STRs. “There’s no fire lane on that road ...” Support crew “workers who have five or six different trucks,” and “five propane trucks a month” not only block but damage the road. “I don’t see any of those houses compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.” He said businesses need wheelchair access, many have added ramps and larger bathrooms. Why not STRs? Perez asked for and noted the name of the road. One STR operator offered that Airbnb and other platforms included ADA information, but the veteran was not placated. STR operators present said regulations for outside investors do not fit locals with a spare cabin, while those who manage a string of STRs argued that absentee individual owners are less responsive to complaints than full-time managers. A neighbor who floated the idea of banning owners from LA or other urban centers was countered by an STR owner who brought up the Fair Housing Act. Several speakers who identified as responsible STR owners said they “vet” their renters carefully. Several speakers mentioned a “three strikes” approach, suggesting that increasing fines for violations should lead to loss of certification. Ordinance 927 includes this language: “The responsible operator of a short term rental shall report any such complaints, and their resolutions or attempted resolutions, to the Riverside County Planning Department within two business days of the occurrence. Failure to respond to complaints, meet a code enforcement officer within sixty (60) minutes, or report complaints to the planning de-

partment within two business days of the occurrence shall be considered a violation of this chapter, and may constitute cause for revocation of the short term rental certificate.” This has not come up yet in the meetings — that owners must notify the county if they receive complaints from neighbors, even if those complaints are resolved, and “may” lose their license if they fail to do so. It should be noted that this penalty would only come after an “administrative hearing.” The ordinance otherwise refers problems that the owner/operator/contact person fails to remedy to the sheriff, reserving “all administrative, legal and equitable remedies available to the County for failing to respond within 60 minutes.” The fines for “administrative citations” issued for violations are \$1,500 for the first, \$3,000 for the second and \$5,000 after that. The county has, in response to written requests by citizens and the Crier, and questions at these meetings, not yet provided an answer to these questions: Have any fines been issued to Idyllwild STR owners, and if so, how many? Another recurring theme has been the STR market cycle: In addition to property owners whose plans were frustrated by the moratorium, there are those who obtained a permit only to watch their occupancy rates drop. At the last STR meeting, Martha Sanchez of Idyllwild Vacation Cabins spoke of occupancy over 70% during the pandemic, and 28% now. Marge Muir, perhaps Idyllwild’s longest-serving Realtor, said she had spoken with three people in the last few days who told her they could no longer hold on to their STR properties because of falling revenue. Shane Stewart, identifying himself as owner of Idyllwild Realty and one of the town’s largest landlords, echoed this, calling the last two years “an anomaly.” He noted the highest vacancy rates he has seen as a landlord, attributing this to an exodus of STR support workers moving on as occupancy falls and owners sell, this in turn hurting other businesses. Another STR owner dismissed the idea that banning or limiting STRs would bring down long-term rents, claiming communities who had capped or eliminated them had seen no such decline. Others mentioned fire insurance and the legal environment for landlords as greater drivers of high rents. LaMont answered the concerns of those who invoke Paradise, California, and the 86 people who died in the Camp Fire there. He attributed the success of Idyllwild’s three full evacuations since 1996 to “decades and decades of planning.” He directed the public to the Mountain Area Safety Task Force (MAST) and its “Evacuating to Safety” pamphlet, available at the fire department office. He said that while MAST meetings ceased to be public during COVID, the local, state and federal fire and law enforcement agencies continue to meet quarterly to update prevention and evacuation plans. These plans include the ability to “shelter in place” people and vehicles in a variety of locations, including the highway itself. LaMont also said that contrary to what some members of the public tell him, the department has not seen an increase in calls due to STRs. He attributed most of last year’s 11% increase to this winter’s “beneficial snowpack.” In parting he asked, or pleaded, for all homeowners to do their abatement.

Feingold told the Crier that the committee held a Zoom meeting with county representatives Tuesday, May 30, and there is one more Zoom session scheduled in two weeks. At this point, there is no mention of another Town Hall meeting.

**The Pine Cove Property Owners Association is delighted to invite all Pine Cove Residents to enjoy a Spring Potluck Picnic with their friends and neighbors.**

**Please join us on Saturday, June 10, 2023 Noon - 3pm**

**PCWD Dutch Flats 25384 Franklin Drive**  
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**This is a potluck event PCPOA will provide fried chicken and beverages.**

**John King and his band Change Required will be performing.**  
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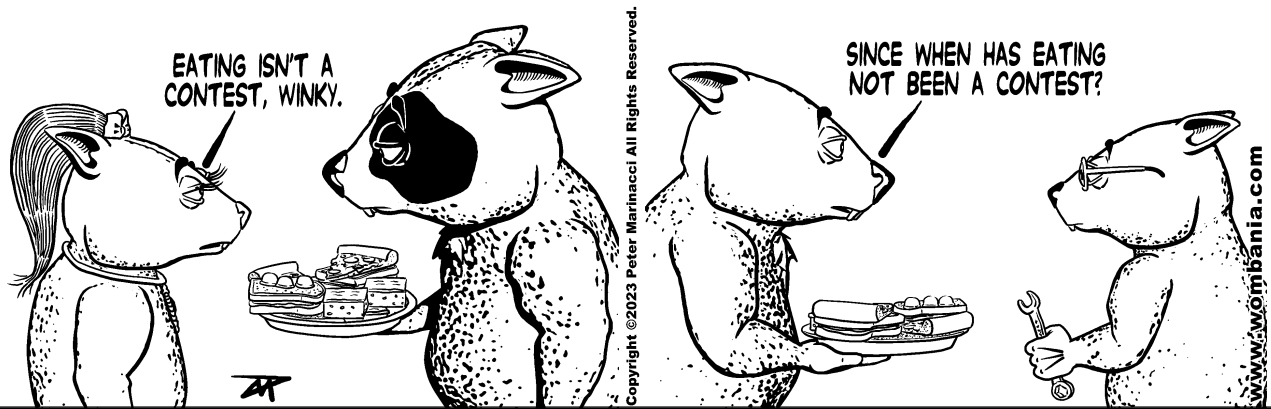
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- Thursday, June 1**
- Soroptmist International of Idyllwild, 9 a.m. Email [dianarmk@gmail.com](mailto:dianarmk@gmail.com) for Zoom info.
  - Fit After 50, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
  - AA discussion & birthdays, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
  - Idyllwild Community Zen, 6 p.m. Text/call Valerie Velez at 951-392-6507 for information.

- Friday, June 2**
- Idy A's (AA, NA, Alanon, CODA, etc.), noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
  - Women's Writing Group with fellow writers, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

tain Retreat. Call 951-659-2523 for Zoom info.

- Saturday, June 3**
- Pine Cove Property Owners Association meeting, 9 a.m. Pine Cove Water District, 24917 Marion Ridge Dr.
  - American Legion Post 800 meeting, 10 a.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
  - Healing Rooms, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54295 Village Center Dr.
  - AA, discussion, 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, 4 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. or Zoom. Call Mary, 951-634-4048.
  - AA happy hour & birthdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Behind Idyllwild Water District, 54255 Pine Crest Ave. (bring chair)
- Sunday, June 4**
- Peace Meditation Practice, 10

- a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- AA, discussion, noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243.
  - Mixed Nuts, 5:30-7 p.m., Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

- Monday, June 5**
- Friends of the Idyllwild Library board meeting, 9:30-11 a.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
  - Fit After 50, noon-1 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
  - Codependents Anon, 6 p.m. Zoom. Call Mary, 951-634-4048.

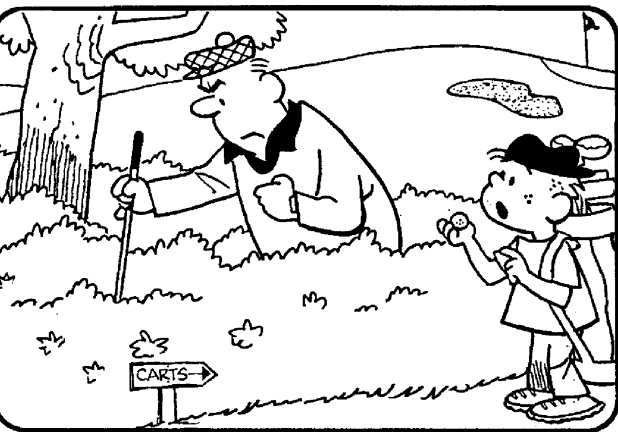
- Tuesday, June 6**
- Riverside County Board of Supervisors, 9:30 a.m. Board Chambers, 4080 Lemon St., First Floor, Riverside.
  - Fit After 50, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
  - Death Cafe, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Hill House, 25661 Oakwood St.
  - Feeding America, 10 a.m.-noon. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St. Bring box for food.
  - Tai Chi for Seniors, 10 a.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

- AA, 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.
- Mountain Area Genealogy, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Palms to Pines Chapter of Citizens Climate Lobby, 6-6:50 p.m. <https://zoom.us/j/4391478344>
- Al-Anon, 7 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar Street.

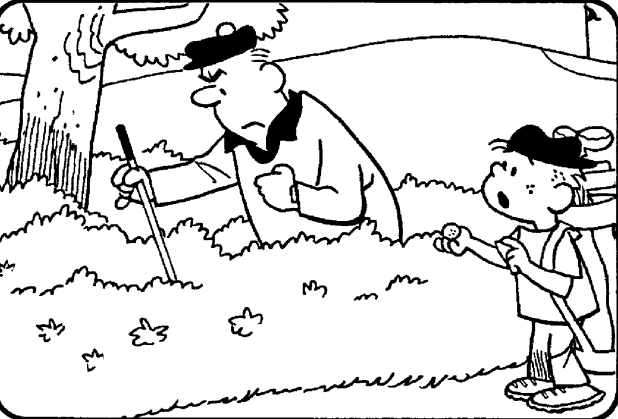
- Wednesday, June 7**
- Rotary International of Idyllwild meeting, 7:30 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
  - Grief Support Group, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
  - Codependents Anon, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
  - Fit After 50, noon-1 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

- Community service hours**
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

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- Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., Sat. & Sun. (Mon. holidays.) Group tours by appt. 659-2717.
  - Idyllwild Help Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 659-2110.
  - Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Tues.; noon-5 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 659-2300.
  - Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 659-3850.
  - Idyllwild Ranger Station, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fri.-Mon., 8 a.m.-noon Tues.
  - 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. & Fri.

NEWS OF RECORD

Idyllwild Fire

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District responded to these calls from Sunday to Saturday, May 21 to 27.

- May 21 — EMS. Hwy. 243.
- May 21 — EMS, transport. Estate Dr.
- May 22 — Brush or brush and grass mixture fire. Ramona Expressway.
- May 22 — EMS. Canyon Dr.
- May 22 — Medical assist. Pine Cove.
- May 23 — EMS, transport. John Muir Rd.
- May 23 — Hazardous condition. Location unreported.
- May 23 — Two walk-in public service assists.
- May 24 — EMS, transport. Wildwood Dr.
- May 24 — Smoke check in area Double View Dr.
- May 25 — EMS, treat & release. Wayne Dr.
- May 25 — Service call. Pine Ave.
- May 26 — Walk-in EMS, treat & release.
- May 26 — Lock out. Middle Ridge Dr.
- May 27 — EMS. John Muir Rd.
- May 27 — Medical alarm. Canceled en route. Hwy. 74.
- May 27 — Walk-in public service assist.

Riverside County Fire/Cal Fire log

The Riverside County Fire Department/Cal Fire responded to these recent dispatches from Monday to Sunday, May 22 to 28.

- Pine Cove**
- May 22 — Unknown medical, 7:52 a.m.
  - May 22 — Assault, 9:12 a.m.
  - May 22 — Traumatic injuries, 1:03 p.m.
  - May 22 — Vegetation fire, mutual threat zone, 2:11 p.m.
  - May 26 — Fire, false alarm, 9:49 a.m.
  - May 26 — Unknown medical, 10:27 a.m.
  - May 28 — Fire, false alarm, 2:15 p.m.
  - May 28 — Traumatic injuries, 5:17 p.m.
  - May 28 — Inaccessible rescue, 6:25 p.m.
  - May 29 — Traffic crash, 10:21 a.m.
  - May 29 — Traffic crash, 1:04 p.m.
- Garner Valley**
- May 22 — Sick person, 4:46 a.m.
- May 22 — Vegetation fire, mutual threat zone, 2:11 p.m.
  - May 22 — Unknown medical,

- 8:57 p.m.
- May 22 — Hemorrhage, 11:44 p.m.
  - May 23 — Headache, 11:30 a.m.
  - May 23 — Breathing problems, 3:10 p.m.
  - May 23 — Choking, 8:44 p.m.
  - May 25 — Psychiatric emergency, 8:54 a.m.
  - May 27 — Public assist, 7:10 a.m.
  - May 28 — Fire, false alarm, 2:15 p.m.
  - May 28 — Inaccessible rescue, 6:25 p.m.
  - May 29 — Traffic crash, 10:21 a.m.
- Pinyon**
- May 24 — Fire, false alarm, 11:34 a.m.
  - May 27 — Fall, 12:38 p.m.
  - May 29 — Traffic crash, 1:26 a.m.
  - May 29 — Sick person, 8:55 a.m.
  - May 29 — Intentional overdose, 11:17 a.m.
  - May 29 — Traffic crash, 6:19 p.m.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Monday to Sunday, May 22 to 28.

- Idyllwild**
- May 22 — Alarm call, 9:48 a.m. 55000 block of Humber Rd. Handled by deputy.

- May 22 — Fraud, 4:45 p.m. 54000 block of Ridgeview Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 23 — Civil dispute, 7:56 a.m. 54000 block of Ridgeview Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 23 — Follow-up, 8:45 a.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 24 — Civil dispute, 7:28 a.m. 54000 block of Ridgeview Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Alarm call, 12:15 a.m. 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Area check, 1:55 a.m. 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Alarm call, 3:57 a.m. 54000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Assist other department, 7:28 a.m. 25000 block of Wayne Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Public assist, 9:59 a.m. 53000 block of Middle Ridge Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Miscellaneous criminal, 6:16 p.m. 54000 block of S. Circle Dr. Report taken.
- May 27 — Public disturbance, 12:55 p.m. 54000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 27 — Suspicious circumstance, 12:59 p.m. 25000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 28 — Prowler, 2:55 a.m. 26000 block of Forest Hill Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 28 — Check the welfare, 4:04 p.m. 53000 block of Tollgate Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 28 — Animal abuse, 5:29 p.m. Address undefined. Unfounded.
- May 28 — Noise complaint, 7:50 p.m. 55000 block of Daryll Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Fireworks, 11:56 a.m.

- 54000 block of S. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Trespassing, 12:05 p.m. Address undefined. Unfounded.
  - May 29 — Alarm call, 3:12 p.m. 25000 block of Cougar Rd. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

- May 22 — Check the welfare, 9:04 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 23 — 911 call from business, 1:44 p.m. 29000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

- May 22 — Disoriented subject, 7:29 a.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 22 — Suspicious circumstance, 11:46 p.m. 52000 block of Pine Cove Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 24 — Harassing phone calls, 11:41 a.m. Address withheld. Unfounded.
- May 26 — Check the welfare, 9:09 a.m. 24000 block of Logan Creek Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Grand theft, 10:25 a.m. 25000 block of Cascade Dr. Report taken.
- May 29 — Public disturbance, 8:56 a.m. 52000 block of Pine Ridge Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Alarm call, 10:39 a.m. 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Alarm call, 12:38 p.m. 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

Garner Valley

Pine Meadows

- May 25 — Danger to self/other, 8:50 a.m. 35000 block

- of Pathfinder Rd. Report taken.
- May 25 — Follow-up, 12:41 p.m. Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
  - May 26 — Suspicious person, 9:32 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

Poppet Flats

- May 26 — 911 hangup from cellphone, 8:54 a.m. 18000 block of Fox Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — 911 hangup from cellphone, 2:01 p.m. 18000 block of Fox Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 26 — Public disturbance, 6:51 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

- May 25 — Petty theft, 9:26 a.m. 66000 block of Cone Ci. Handled by deputy.
- May 25 — Burglary, 10:59 a.m. 58000 block of Apple Canyon Rd. Report taken.
- May 26 — Petty theft, 8:57 a.m. 66000 block of Cone Ci. Report taken.
- May 27 — Burglary, 5:39 a.m. 58000 block of Bonita Vista Rd. Arrest made.
- May 28 — Public disturbance, 5:49 p.m. 24000 block of Pine Cove Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 28 — Vehicle burglary, 6:25 p.m. Address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Public assist, 2:50 a.m. 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- May 29 — Shots fired, 3:47 p.m. 48000 block of Twin Pines Rd. Handled by deputy.

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# County sets July public hearing for CSA fees

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

At its May 23 meeting, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors set 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 11, for a public hearing on the fees applied to parcels within the Riverside County service areas. State law authorizes these fees.

The intent was to give county boards another means to finance and provide needed public facilities and services within unincorporated areas of the county.

County Service Areas (CSA) provide municipal services to residential neighborhoods such as landscape maintenance, street lighting, street sweeping and road maintenance; the services each community receives are determined during the planning phase of new development.

Consequently, depending upon the CSA’s authorized purpose, the fees vary by CSA.

In Idyllwild, this fee is for lighting, and parks and recreation within CSA 36. It adds \$35 to the property tax bill for the 3,568 parcels within Idyllwild. Pine Cove parcels are not included in CSA 36.

## Full Moon Drum Circle

A Full Moon Drum Circle for a “Strawberry Moon” is scheduled at 6 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Spirit Mountain Retreat Sacred Garden. Everyone is invited to the free event.

June’s full Moon — typically the last full Moon of spring or the first of summer — has traditionally been called the Strawberry Moon.

The origin of the name “Strawberry Moon” has nothing to do with the Moon’s hue or appearance.

A Moon usually appears reddish when it’s close to the horizon because the light rays must pass through the densest layers of atmosphere.

The name has been used by Native American Algonquian tribes who live in the northeastern United States as well as the Ojibwe, Dakota and Lakota peoples to mark the ripening of “June-bearing” strawberries that are ready to be gathered.

The Haida term Berries Ripen Moon reflects this as well.

## Fire insurance

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spection was based on wildfire score due to ZIP code and was therefore exempt from non-renewal. This argument fell on deaf ears and they are standing by the decision to non-renew.”

Mount then suggested the Johns contact the state’s Department of Insurance to file a complaint and he offered to give them a statement if it would help.

And that is what Jeri did next. On the Department of Insurance’s website (www.insurance.ca.gov), she found the following information, “If your ZIP code is included in the moratorium and you received a notice of cancellation or non-renewal for wildfire risk, you should contact your insurance company to seek a reinstatement of the policy. If your insurance company refuses, you are encouraged to contact us and file a Request for Assistance.”

And on March 17, she filed her request for assistance at the site www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/101-help/index.cfm.

“The state website was very helpful,” Jeri said. “All my dealings with the state agency were very positive.”

In less than a week, the state acknowledged the request in a letter from an insurance compliance officer. Among the many things the writer said was, “Do not be concerned if you do not hear from me during the next several weeks; I will contact you once I have received and reviewed your company’s response and documentation.”

On April 5, less than two weeks later, the Johns received a letter from Allstate acknowledging its error. “... it has been determined that the policy was scheduled to non-renew in error. On March 31, 2023, the non-renewal was rescinded and coverage will continue.”

The Johns have already paid the premium for the June 7 renewal for a year.

As a result of her effort, Jeri recognizes that the fire insurers are not going bankrupt, they are just offloading their higher risks. So she suggests that the state consider making a broader investment in fire insurance than the current FAIR program, which is operated by a consortium of insurers. Her suggestion was to treat fire insurance as some are suggesting for health insurance — a single payer. In this case, the state would take over the complete fire insurance activities.

“It must be profitable because the companies are still doing it,” Jeri added.

But Allstate’s finances did dip in 2022. The annual report stated that net earnings for last year were a negative \$1.4 billion compared to a positive \$1.4 billion in 2021 and \$5.4 billion in 2020. This might be due to property and casualty claims increasing \$15 billion during this period, which were mostly attributed to auto losses. Fortunately for shareholders, the company’s stock price grew 45% in the past five years.

California also offers the FAIR plan (www.cfpnet.com), a syndicated fire insurance pool comprised of all insurers licensed to conduct property/casualty business in California.

While the governor and Legislature created the FAIR Plan, it is a private association whose day-to-day operations are controlled by insurance companies, not taxpayers.

The FAIR Plan is available to California residents and businesses in urban and rural areas who cannot obtain insurance through a regular insurance company. As of 2020, the FAIR Plan covers less than 3% of residents, meaning more than 97% of Californians have a competitive option for fire insurance.

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**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
The following fictitious business name CAFE AROMA, 54750 N CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY: RIVERSIDE, has been abandoned by the following persons:  
  
FLORA & VIGOR LLC  
54750 N CIRCLE DR, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on 06/21/2021.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)  
Signed:

REBECCA BURIFF  
MANAGING MEMBER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/05/2023.

FILE NO.:  
R-202108322  
**Pub. TC: May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2023.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as CAFE AROMA, 54750 N CIRCLE DR, STE B, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549, RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

FLEUR DE LIS HOSPITALITY LLC, 82804 CONWAY RANCH LANE, INDIO, CA 92203

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
ERIC M EDMUNDS  
CEO  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 2, 2023.

R-202306793

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

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

Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regularly published once a week or often, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of publication 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 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2023**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as CPI PROPERTIES AT 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879,

RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

CARLOS REYNOSO PADILLA  
TRUSTEE OF PADILLA FAMILY TRUST  
13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879

ISIDRO REYNOSO PADILLA 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 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).)

Registrant Signature:  
CARLOS REYNOSO PADILLA  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 8, 2023.  
FILE NO.:  
R-202307089

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

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### CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk  
**Pub. TC: May 11, 18, 26, June 1, 2023.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as PFT PROPERTIES AT 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879, RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

CARLOS REYNOSO PADILLA  
TRUSTEE OF PADILLA FAMILY TRUST  
13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879

IRENE MACIAS PADILLA 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879

This business is conducted by a Trust.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 01/1996.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
CARLOS REYNOSO PADILLA  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 8, 2023.  
FILE NO.:  
R-202307090

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

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PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk  
**Pub. TC: May 11, 18, 26, June 1, 2023.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as PROTECT SERVICES at 38820 ELNA WAY, CATHEDRAL CITY, CA 92234 RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

Mailing Address: PO, BOX 783, RANCHO MIRAGE, CA 92270  
RICHARD PAUL THIBODEAUX  
38820 ELNA WAY, CATHEDRAL CITY, CA 92234

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 06/2018.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
RICHARD PAUL THIBODEAUX  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 9, 2023  
FILE NO.:  
R-202306124

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

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

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### CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk  
**Pub. TC: May 11, 18, 25, June 1, 2023.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as IDYLLWILD’S STYLIGHT, 25965 HIGHWAY 243, UNIT A, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: P.O. BOX 1593, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

KIMBERLY ANN EVANS-SMITH  
25965 HIGHWAY 243 UNIT A, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on DECEMBER 2014.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
KIMBERLY ANN EVANS-SMITH  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/18/2023.  
FILE NO.:  
R-202307756

**NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE**

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

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

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### CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk  
**Pub. TC: May 25, June 1, 8, 15, 2023.**

### 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 June 8th, 2023 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.

B323- Quintero, Maria  
H4- Crawford, Brandi  
G24- Salvador, Ruby  
D323- Rodriguez, Lisa Renee  
G33- Ibasan, Josefina  
Auction to be held on June 8th, 2023, @ 10:00 AM  
Online at www.StorageTreasures.com  
**Pub. TC: May 25, June 1, 2023.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as PACIFIC MH CONSTRUCTION AT 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879, Riverside County.  
PACIFIC MH CONSTRUCTION INC, 13551 MAGNOLIA AVE, CORONA, CA 92879. This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 8/2001.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
CARLOS R. PADILLA  
PRESIDENT  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 10, 2023.  
FILE NO.:  
R-202307267

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

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### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this copy is a cor-

rect copy of the original statement on file in my office.

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk  
**Pub. TC: May 25, June 1, 8, 15, 2023.**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF AUTOMOBILE**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Sections 3071 of the Civil Code of the State of California the undersigned will sell the following vehicle(s) at lien sale at said address below on: 06/16/2023 09:00 AM Year of Car / Make of Car / Vehicle ID No. / License No. (State) J6 CHEVY 3C6UKREC8GG330803 330803X CA To be sold by DAISY VANESSA MURO AGUILAR, 2804 CORONET AVE, THERMAL CA 92274. Said sale is for the purpose of satisfying lien for together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.  
**Pub. TC: June 1, 2023**

**CVJM 2302458 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK ST. #D201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553, Branch name: MORENO VALLEY COURTHOUSE.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: DARLIA RUTHIE VALDEZ, 1877 W. RAMESEY ST SPC 10, BANNING, CA 92220. PETITION OF DARLIA RUTHIE VALDEZ for JULIETTA LOVELLE ROBLES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: JULIETTA LOVELLE ROBLES changed to Proposed name: JULIETTA ROSALIE VALDEZ

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 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: 07/26/2023 Time: 8 am, Dept. MV2.

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: 05/16/2023

COMMISSIONER DAVID E. GREGORY  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
**Pub. TC: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023**

**CVSW 2303880 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 30755-D Auld Road, Suite 1226, Murrieta, CA 92563, Branch name: Southwest Justice Center.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: KRISTY COBURN, 30268 Savannah Oaks Dr, Murrieta, CA 92563. PETITION OF KRISTY COBURN for KAIA ANGELINA COBURN WICKHAM filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: KAIA ANGELINA COBURN WICKHAM changed to Proposed name: KAIA ANGELINA COBURN.

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 temecula lien services 1.19.2023 copyindd 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: 07/13/2023 Time: 8 am, Dept. S101.

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: 05/22/2023

JAMES F. HODGKINS  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
**Pub. TC: June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as HAVEN DECOR & GALLERY, 54200 N CIRCLE DR SUITE E2, IDYLLWILD CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO BOX #1575, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

CHERYL ANN RICE  
52790 PINE RIDGE ROAD, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

This business is conducted by a n Individual.

The registrant has not yet begun to transact

business under the fictitious name listed above.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:  
CHERYL ANN RICE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 19, 2023  
FILE NO.:  
R-202307781

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# On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

B SECTION

IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., JUNE 1, 2023

## A PCT hiker's wilderness foray

By HOLLY PARSONS, AKA DISPATCH CORRESPONDENT

For two hours Dispatch waited for Sunflower [trail name] at the base of Devils Slide that fateful night. She learned from lingering hikers that a group of Europeans were camped above and took solace that he was safe and too exhausted to descend despite his call for pick up earlier that afternoon. She located him the next morning at Nomad Ventures, engaged in a torrid conversation with Amy [staff] about the science of crampon use. There she reunited him with his supply box and ice ax, treated him to lunch at Brewpub, and documented his story. He is Jeroen van der Velde, 37, a health care professional from Enschede, Netherlands. His passions are growing the world's tallest sunflower and gardening.

"The PCT represents for me a chance to overcome anxiety caused by the mod-

ern world," he shared before relating his story. "I first heard about the trek in 2015 after seeing the film 'Wild.' This year everything combined in time. As a runner I was fit. As an adult I'd recently learned I have ADHD. With a deficit of dopamine in my brain I need to be constantly stimulated; seeing new vistas fuels my need for excitement. I thought the adventure was perfect! If you want to kill me, set me in an office behind a computer, with no nat-



Sunflower (Jeroen van der Velde) at the bottom of Devils Slide Trail in Humboldt Park. PHOTO BY LES GIN

See Sunflower, page B6

## Native American Arts Festival starts June 18

Idyllwild Arts Foundation presents its annual Native American Arts Festival (NAAF) Week at the Idyllwild Arts campus from Sunday to Friday, June 18 to 23. The weeklong event, which has run each summer for over two decades, is designed to enhance and enrich the Idyllwild Arts Summer Program with Native American arts-based programming, including an invitational exhibition, demonstrations, Native food tastings and the Michael Kabotie Lecture Series. All festival week events are free and open to the public.

Idyllwild Arts is an institution rooted in respect, reverence and support for Native American people and is the only residential arts high school in the country to offer a Native American Arts program. Native American Arts Center Execu-

See NAAF, page B4



Native American bird singers at last year's festival. PHOTO COURTESY OF IAF

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

### Wednesday, May 31

• Niños & Nature, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Nature Center.

• Preschool Story Time, "Hippity, Hoppity" with Miss Rachel, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

• Coed pickleball, 11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.

• Shaolin Qi Gong & Chicks with Sticks, 11 a.m.-noon & 4-5 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

• Minecraft & Scratch Coding Class, 2-3 p.m. Mt. San Jacinto Room, Camp Marantha.

• Lego Club, 3-4 p.m. Mt. San Jacinto Room, Camp Marantha.

• Idyllwild Chess Club, 5-9 p.m. Alpaca Brunch Cafe.

### Thursday, June 1

• Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.

• Lego Play, 10 a.m.-noon Idyllwild Nature Center.

### Friday, June 2

• Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.

• Bridge Club, 1-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

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THE IDYLLWILD MASTER CHORALE IN CONCERT

Adults \$25  
Seniors \$20 / Students \$10

Spring Forth The Exquisite, Vibrant and Profound  
Saturday June 3 2023 at 7:30pm  
William M. Lowman Concert Hall  
Idyllwild Arts

Music of Arron Copland, Morten Lauridsen, Randall Thompson, Jean Berger, Ernest Siva, Robert Evans Holmes

Poetry of James Agee, Dana Gioia, Robert Frost, The Benoit Poetry Journal

Concert ticket pre sales at  
IdyllwildMasterChorale.Org  
Tickets also available at the door



SUMMER

## 2023 KIDS SUMMER DAY PROGRAMS

MULTI-ARTS (AGES 5 - 7)

ARTIST DISCOVERY (AGES 8 - 10)

6 ONE-WEEK SESSIONS STILL ENROLLING  
AVAILABLE JUNE 12 - JULY 21

REGISTER FOR ONE OR MANY -  
EACH WEEK IS DIFFERENT!


In these beloved summer workshops for the youngest Idyllwild artists, students explore visual art, music, movement, and drama through creative play and structured activities. Guided by experienced youth arts educators, children work in large and small groups throughout the day and learn how to work cooperatively while also building confidence in their individual creativity and expression. Children may come for multiple weeks and gain new discoveries each session.

All students enrolled in Multi-Arts or Artist Discovery get access to our sparkling pool at the conclusion of their class time. Parent or guardian supervision is required.

For more info and to register, visit [idyllwildarts.com/kids-programs](http://idyllwildarts.com/kids-programs)









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## SUMMERTIME IS MAGIC TIME!

This summer, be sure to spend time at your local library. Did you know it is a magical place? Kid Scoop's Jim the Librarian says, "Be sure to tell your librarian the kinds of books you like to read. Your librarian is your guide to the magic of the library!"

Color one of these books each time you read a book this summer!

How many stars can you find on this page in two minutes?



### Meet Famous People!

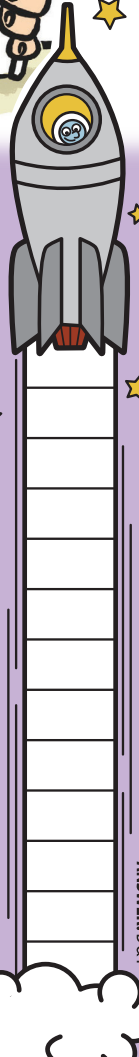
Books called **biographies** introduce you to famous people. Read about the lives of some interesting people this summer!

Use the code to reveal the names of some famous people. Read more about them at your library!

A=26	F=21	K=16	P=11
B=25	G=20	L=15	R=10
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D=23	I=18	N=13	T=8
E=22	J=17	O=12	U=7

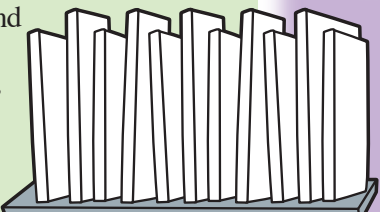
### Escape to Fun Places!

Books and stories are set in interesting places, all over the world and even in magical places. Color in part of this rocket's trail for each real or imaginary place you read about this summer.




### Magazine Shelf

Every time you spend 10 minutes or more reading a magazine, color in one of the magazines on this shelf.

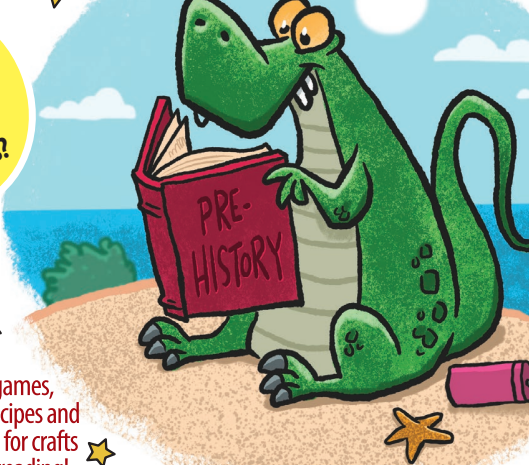


### Travel Through Time!

Do you want to learn about pirates? Dinosaurs? Pyramids? History books can let you travel through time!




Can you find at least 10 differences between these two dinosaurs?



Playing games, following recipes and instructions for crafts all require reading!

**Extra! Extra! Reading POPS!**


Every time you do a Kid Scoop Extra! Extra! this summer, color in a firecracker!



Standards Link: Use the newspaper to locate information.

This week's **Kid Scoop** page is one big chart to keep track of your summer reading! Save this page and post it somewhere so you can track your reading accomplishments!

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**Kid Scoop Together**

## Summer Reading Bingo

Every time you do one of the following, cross out that box. Score yourself:


- 1-3 boxes: **Bright Beginner**
- 4-7 boxes: **Strong Starter**
- 8-11 boxes: **Rising Reader**
- 12-15 boxes: **Reading Rock Star**
- 16-19 boxes: **Super Summer Reader**
- 20-23 boxes: **Powerhouse Reader**
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Read outside for 30 minutes.	Read in bed.	Read with a friend.
Read to a parent.	Read to someone older than you.	Read to someone younger than you.
Listen to a story read to you.	Play a board game.	Read a book written before you were born.
Read a book a parent enjoyed as a child.	Read under a tree.	Read a book that makes you laugh.
Read a newspaper article to a family member.	Read first thing in the morning.	Get a library card.
Read to a friend over the phone.	Read with your feet in a pool.	Read 10 comic strips.
Read a spooky story.	Read with a friend, taking turns reading aloud.	Read a story written in rhyme.
Read and follow a recipe.	Read by a campfire.	Write a story and read it aloud.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### Library Adventures

Follow the maze to visit each section of the library.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

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

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

**Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS**

This week's word: **IMAGINARY**

The adjective **imaginary** means something unreal that exists only in the mind.

Sue drew many dragons and other **imaginary** creatures.

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

FROM THE **Kid Scoop** LESSON LIBRARY

### Talking Pictures

Select a picture of a sports star or famous person in the newspaper. Pretend this person can talk to you. Write words for them to say and put the words in a talking bubble to make the picture look like a comic.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Write descriptive paragraphs.



### Why did the ghost keep returning to the library day after day?

ANSWER: She went through books very quickly.

**Write On!**

### Cutest Animal on Earth

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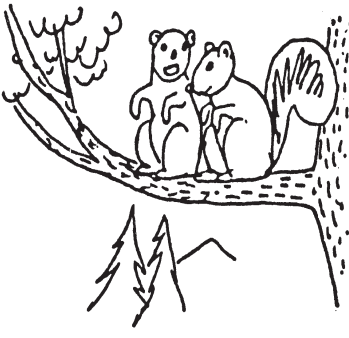
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# Steele T23 in D.C.

By JACK CLARK  
PRO GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele put together rounds of 73-70-71 to post a 2-under-par 214 and tie for 23rd place in the LIV Golf tournament at the District of Columbia last week. The Idyllwild native posted 10 birdies against eight bogies on the way. He is now ranked 147th in the Official World Golf Ranking.

In LIV team competition, only the top-three scores of the four team members count. Brendan has scored for this team, the HyFlyers, in every LIV tournament so far this year.

Brendan next tees it up on the LIV tour June 30 on the Real Club Valderrama course in Andalucia, Spain.

## NAAF

Continued from B1

tive Director, Shaliyah Ben (Diné) is again leading the NAAF. Her vision will bring to life this year's theme, an examination and celebration of Native humor, comedy and joy.

After the past few difficult years, humor is an important tool to help heal within while also coping with and accepting new realities. The unique week of programming seeks to inspire internal reflection and laughter while also igniting important conversations about topics that shape Indigenous communities by bringing together scientific, intuitive and trickster voices for a balanced and provocative learning experience.

Highlights of this year's festival include the Opening Day Celebration "Welcoming Home the Birds," a full day of cultural programming and sharing of Cahuilla and Serrano Bird Singing. Attendees are invited to taste Willie Pink (Luiseno) California Native foods.

A plethora of artist vendors and hands-on activities will be provided by Tony Soares, Lily Clarke (Cahuilla) and Lorene Sisquoc (Cahuilla/Apache) with the Mother Earth Clan. Curated by Meranda Roberts (Numu/Xicana), this year's invitational exhibition "Still We Smile: Humor as Correction and Joy" opens Monday, June 19 and will feature a range of artistic mediums.

The week of programming will culminate with The Good Medicine Comedy Showcase on the evening of Friday, June 23. For the full schedule, visit <https://idyllwildarts.org/nativeamericanarts>.



Greg Jones (center) and his band were this year's headliner at the Idyllwild Community Center concert Sunday afternoon at the Butterfield Amphitheater.

PHOTO BY JOEL FEINGOLD



American Legion Post 800 served Cornish game hens, coleslaw and baked beans for its annual Memorial Day Weekend Barbecue.

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Ashley Stewart (left) and Patty Perez working their yard sale downtown over the weekend. The Memorial Day Weekend yard sales are popular among locals and flatlanders who visit just to find treasures.

PHOTO BY JOEL FEINGOLD



Rotary Club's annual Apfelphannkuchen Pancake Breakfast held at Town Hall Saturday morning. Rotarians said it was the largest turnout with 514 tickets sold.

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The Idyllwild Nature Center hosted its wildflower show at the location over the weekend. Here, Bruce Watts of Idyllwild, a wildflower photographer, shows his slides while folk enjoy learning about local wildflowers.

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Mia and Barley paying their respects to the fallen soldier at the Memorial Day Ceremony at American Legion Post 800 Monday morning.

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### Quote of the Week

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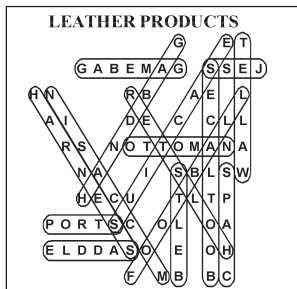
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### Announcements

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Answers to Word Search  
(Puzzle on next Classified page)

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7	4	6	3	8	5	2	1	9
8	6	9	5	4	1	7	3	2
3	7	1	8	6	2	5	9	4
5	2	4	9	7	3	1	6	8

Answers to Sudoku  
(Puzzle on next Classified page)

### Classes

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Answers to Crossword  
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CALENDAR

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- Saturday, June 3**

  - Coed pickleball, 11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
  - Idyllwild Master Chorale, "Spring Forth: The Exquisite, Vibrant & Profound," 7:30 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall.
- Sunday, June 4**

  - Idyllwild Master Chorale, Bishop Susan Snook & potluck, 11 a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.
  - Idyllwild Chess Club, 5-9 p.m. Alpaca Brunch Cafe.
- Monday, June 5**

  - Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
- Tuesday, June 6**

  - Sewing Club, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-5 p.m. Mt. San Jacinto Room, Camp Marantha.
  - Mah Jongg, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Wednesday, June 7**

  - Niños & Nature, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Nature Center.
  - Preschool Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
  - Coed pickleball, 11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
  - Shaolin Qi Gong & Chicks with Sticks, 11 a.m.-noon & 4-5 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
  - Minecraft & Scratch Coding Class, 2-3 p.m. Mt. San Jacinto Room, Camp Marantha.
- Thursday, June 8**

  - Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
  - Lego Play, 10 a.m.-noon Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Friday, June 9**

  - Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
  - Bridge Club, 1-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Saturday, June 10**

  - Coed pickleball, 11 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
  - Pine Cove Property Owners Association's Spring Potluck Picnic with John King & Change Required, noon-3 p.m. 25384 Franklin Dr.
- Sunday, June 11**

  - Idyllwild Chess Club, 5-9 p.m. Alpaca Brunch Cafe.
- Monday, June 12**

  - Women's pickleball, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
- Tuesday, June 13**

  - Sewing Club, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-5 p.m. Mt. San Jacinto Room, Camp Marantha.
  - Mah Jongg, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.



**75 years ago - 1948**  
Town Crier raised its annual subscription rate to \$2.50. The paper was biweekly except during summer, when it was published every week.

**70 years ago - 1953**  
A new business opening in Fern Valley Corners was Bill Francisco's Professional Pharmacy.

**65 years ago - 1958**  
A variety show at Town Hall featured the first performance of the Idyllwild Chorus.

**60 years ago - 1963**  
The season's total moisture was 14.9 inches, compared to 22.22 inches the previous year.

**55 years ago - 1968**  
County supervisors called for bids for construction of a fire station in Pine Cove. Dwight Metcalfe had designed the proposed station.

**50 years ago - 1973**  
The new Restaurant Gastrognome did sell-out business on its opening weekend.

**45 years ago - 1978**  
The Idyllwild Post Office moved to its new location in the Strawberry Creek Shopping Center. Postmaster Lloyd Wood reminded folk that the price of mailing a first-class letter would increase to 15 cents.

**40 years ago - 1983**  
After 10 weeks of negotiations between the Idyllwild Arts Foundation and University of Southern California officials, talks ended in a stalemate. As a result, IAF would exercise a contractual option to repurchase the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts campus.

**35 years ago - 1988**  
Garner Valley residents protested renovations at Camp Joe Scherman op-

erated by the Girl Scout Council of Orange County. They were worried that local water supply could be exhausted because of a 5-acre lake being built at the camp.

**30 years ago - 1993**  
It was announced that Idyllwild Medical Clinic, a satellite of Eisenhower Medical Center, would be adding an examining room, X-ray equipment and expanded laboratory.

**25 years ago - 1998**  
Bella Lewitsky was to give the commencement address at Idyllwild Arts Academy's graduation ceremony. Lewitsky was the creator and choreographer of the Lewitsky Dance Company and had served as its director for 30 years.

**20 years ago - 2003**  
The House of Representatives passed the Healthy Forests Restoration Act, which authorized \$350 million over the next five years to help save the nation's forests.

**15 years ago - 2008**  
Donors were set to transfer the land upon which the Idyllwild Com-

munity Center will be built to the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council.

**10 years ago - 2013**  
Idyllwild Water District customers would begin paying new rates in July following the board of directors' unanimous approval of a 12% increase for both water and sewer at its May meeting.

**5 years ago - 2018**  
On May 8 at 8:38 a.m., "a yearling, bear meandered across our driveway within 25 feet of where I sat safely ensconced behind glass," recalled Scott Bump of Idyllwild. "Earlier that day, I was awakened by an earthquake, followed by this surreal sighting of a honey-colored brown bear. Who said rural living is boring?"

**1 year ago - 2022**  
The Idyllwild skateboard community held an event at the Idyllwild Skate Park held an event to help raise funds for the facility's ongoing renovation. It is estimated that more than 300 people attended the event throughout the day.

CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," ARF kittens impressed the ARF cats and comforted those not adopted. **Harley:** Successful yard sale last weekend and some adoptions! **Phil:** As I suspected, we cats and those kittens got some good exposure. **Harley:** All kittens were adopted except for Hank and Bobby. **Hank:** Yeah. It's true. I'm so precious, I cannot believe I wasn't adopted. **Bobby:** I'm right with you, Hank. We just must wait for the right people to see us.



Bobby



Hank

**Phil:** That's what it's all about: patience. **Harley:** And the same goes for us adult cats. **Katnis:** All the kittens deserve the best, as do we. **Miss Kitty:** So now that Memorial Day has come and gone, does this mean it's officially summer? **Phil:** Well, not really. Summer doesn't officially start until June 21, but that doesn't mean we cannot begin celebrating the warm weather. **Miss Kitty:** Many dogs will accompany their families on road trips or camping adventures. **Harley:** They will, and I hope their guardians are prepared. For one, on road trips they should stop frequently for breaks, probably potty breaks. **Phil:** And when camping, the guardian should survey the potential campsite for possible dangers. Some might be red ants, cigarette butts, jellyfish or a puddle of antifreeze left by a leaving RV or vehicle. **Don:** And guardians should never leave a dog chained or unattended at campsites. **Katnis:** There are just too many predators who would take advantage of a dog as a "target." **Pepper:** Coyotes and rattlesnakes, right? **Katnis:** Just to mention a few. **Miss Kitty:** You know, sometimes cats go along on RV trips. Hopefully cat guardians, in this case, take extra care in making certain the cat stays in a safe place, secure from danger.

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In May 1973, the Restaurant Gastrognome was the latest pleasure dome to open in Idyllwild. The gourmet restaurant, reminiscent of a high ceilinged South Pacific inn, did sell out business on its opening weekend.

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Sunflower

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ural light, day after day.

“I’m also walking the PCT to learn how strong I am. Even in the short time I’ve been on trail, I’ve learned hiking is life. My faith in people had been shattered. Urban life jaded me with all its rushing and rushing — on trail I’m one with nature. I have learned kindness still exists. On the trail, I’ve met hikers, angels, locals — very many good people.”

This story begins with his ascent at mile marker 151 near the Paradise Valley Cafe. “I planned to traverse the San Jacinto Mountain range in Southern California heading to mile marker 179.4 at Devils Slide Trail leading into Idyllwild for a zero day — I’m giddy with excitement. Fortuitously, I left a box of supplies and an ice ax with a trail angel who goes by Dispatch. I met at the Paradise Valley Cafe. We arranged for her to pick me up at the base of Devils Slide in Humber Park in a few days and drive me into the village.

“At first, the trail seemed quite manageable careening through tall grass and overgrown bush. Quickly the path veered strongly upward. Trekkers I met commented this is the roughest ascent since leaving Campo at the Mexican border. I had no clue what was coming. Most of my information was coming from the Blazin Bakers YouTube videos of the PCT 2022. This had been a difficult snow year, I kept hearing, but was certain that by May the snow on the San Jacintos would have melted.

“I also knew parts of the forest burned years ago — but presumed there had been effective trail maintenance. Soon enough I’m shocked to find myself crawling over an endless obstacle course of downed trees; I estimate well over 60. Looking for alternate trails around the trees on very steep ravines was very dangerous. I told myself this requires slow going, think twice before each step. 3 miles per hour was not possible without great risk. One wrong step and I could be off a cliff face.

“The day progressed until I finally found a cell signal at the top near mm171. I called Dispatch and asked her to meet me at 6 p.m. at Devil’s Slide for a ride into Idyllwild. The late afternoon sun was low — I thought great, no more fallen trees. Then, like a bad dream, fallen trees were everywhere; the terrain was super steep and I noted a single patch of snow. I tried to call Dispatch again to move my pickup time back an hour because I knew I wouldn’t get down as planned.

“Another patch of snow presented mid-trail.

Then the patches got bigger; within 15 minutes everything was covered with snow. Not wearing waterproof boots on slushy snow, I quickly attached my micro spikes to a pair of Speed Goat 5 Trail Runners. I was only wearing a pair of Nike shorts and a long-sleeved synthetic hoodie — and double socks, the Darntough socks with Injinji liner toe socks. My long pants were in my supply box — it was hot when I packed it at the cafe. I put on my puffy.

“The sun is now setting and the winds are up. I’m continuing at a pace of 1 mile per hour due to dangerous hiking conditions. I slipped a few times on slushy snow; pulling myself forward on tree limbs was the only way through. If I fell, I’d be impaled on the many dead tree limbs lurking below. Thoughts were racing in my head. Why am I hiking alone? If I’m lost, or fall, or become injured, no one will know. The danger was becoming intolerable. I knew if I stopped hiking for five minutes to think, the cold would set in. I had to keep moving.

“The snow was 3 to 36 inches and higher with occasional dry patches. I’m beginning to fret, then my FarOut App malfunctions — the zoom feature on the offline maps would not expand. I couldn’t see the trails. Concerned to get to my trail angel as scheduled, I began rushing. The decision to follow others’ tracks proved a useless maze to nowhere. It seemed everyone was lost. On balance, I again realize the danger if I hurry. My wise inner voice pointed out a dry patch, suggesting I camp here just before total darkness.

“I pitched my tent, simultaneously taking a cold upper sponge bath. Forget about my filthy legs. I put on my Merino wool sleep wear. It was a couple of degrees above freezing, my toes were numb and the wind through the pines was howling. I attempted to cook a warm meal when my gas depleted. My drink was lauw, our Dutch term for barely warm. Stay positive man, better lauw than cold! Just before climbing into my inadequate quilt [from Enlightened Equipment recommended for PCT hikers] I zipped my tent, donned boxer shorts for impeccable warmth on my head and still froze.

“I considered every possibility all night — until I heard nearby rustling. Fear raced through every cell. Instantly, I recalled a story told in graphic detail by a solo woman hiker who heard a mountain lion scratching and found claw marks near her tent in the morning. I’m terrified, and in that moment, my tent collapsed.

“I lay freezing in my quilt; the mountain lion must have torn down my tent. Thinking if I play



Keri Neilson and Joel Feingold reading the Town Crier on the San Clemente pier as they celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary last week.

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dead I might be safe, for hours I never moved. At 6 a.m. a call from nature forced me out from under the tent. Only then did I realize the sun was rising. Seeing the cherished picture of my dog hanging on the rim of my pack brought comfort. At this point I activate my Garmin inReach Mini navigation/sat communicator and for an exorbitant price, called my closest friend Alex at home letting him know I’m distressed so he can note my current location.”

“It was a hell of a nervous night. By morning I was learning skills on the fly. One wrong step and I could break a limb. At 7 a.m. I met Clouds, a hiker from the states; he offered water which I gratefully accepted and kept walking. I made it out on the Devil’s Slide trail with the snow crunching under my soles, making the trek more manageable. On the walk out I met hikers ascending and I warned them about my experience. But I think they are all the same — like me. Aw, it’s not such a big deal.”

Sunflower indeed resumed his trek, heading north from Saddle Junction catching up with a group two days after this interview. He’ll soon head north into the challenges sun and heat present on the high desert paths to Kennedy Meadows, where the Sierras await to continue the adventure of a lifetime.

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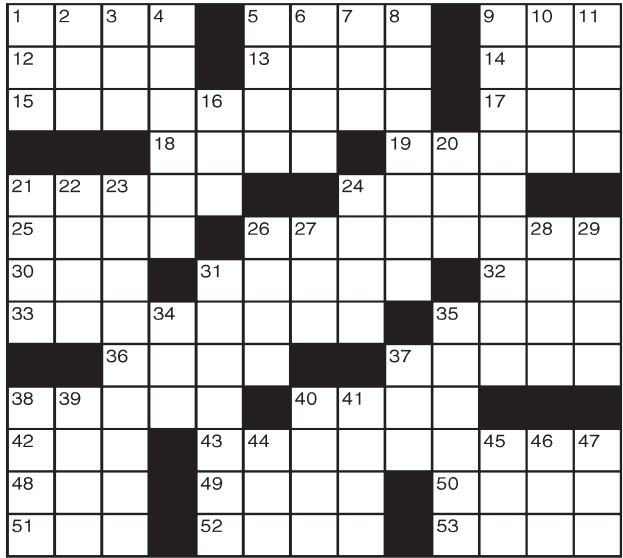
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24 Toppled  
25 Writer  
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30 Call — day  
31 Kathy of "Misery"  
32 Pro vote  
33 "No worries ..."  
35 GI dining hall  
36 Cries of discovery  
37 Third rock from the sun  
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40 Stable diet  
42 Napkin's place  
43 Coll. entrance considerations  
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50 "A Doll's House" heroine  
51 That lady  
52 Tower city  
53 Did the crawl

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4 It had a big part in the Bible  
5 Jittery  
6 "Das Kapital" author  
7 Three, in Rome  
8 Sound systems  
9 Movie buff's purchase  
10 Sitarist  
11 Lost traction  
16 Roswell visitors  
20 Cleric's tunic  
21 It grows on you  
22 Initial chip  
23 Crime lab specimen  
24 Glenn of the Eagles  
26 Very small batteries  
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35 Brick workers  
37 And so on (Abbr.)  
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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
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HOROSCOPES

June 2023 — Week 1

**March 21 – April 19**  
The often skeptical Aries might find that an answer to a question is hard to believe. But check it out before you chuck it out. You might well be surprised at what you could learn.

**April 20 – May 20**  
Your resolute determination to stick by a position might make some people uncomfortable. But if you're proved right (as I expect you to be), a lot of changes will tilt in your favor.

**May 21 – June 21**  
You might feel conflicted between what you want to do and what you should do. Best advice: Honor your obligations first. Then go ahead and enjoy your well-earned rewards.

**June 22 – July 22**  
That financial matter still needs to be sorted out before you can consider any major monetary moves. Pressures ease midweek, with news about a potential career change.

**July 23 – August 22**  
A workplace problem threatens to derail your well-planned project. But your quick mind should lead you to a solution and get you back on track without too much delay.

**August 23 – September 22**  
An opportunity opens up but could quickly close down if you allow pessimism to override enthusiasm. A trusted friend can offer the encouragement you need.

**September 23 – October 22**  
You've come through a difficult period of helping others deal with their problems. Now you can concentrate on putting your energy to work on your own projects.

**October 23 – November 21**  
Forget about who's to blame and, instead, make the first move toward patching up a misunderstanding before it creates a rift that you'll never be able to cross.

**November 22 – December 21**  
Good news for the travel-loving Sagittarian who enjoys galloping off to new places: That trip you put off will soon be back on your schedule.

**December 22 – January 19**  
A mood change could make the gregarious Goat seek the company of just a few friends. But you charge back into the crowd for weekend fun and games.

**January 20 – February 18**  
A decision you made in good faith could come under fire. Best advice: Open your mind to other possibilities by listening to your challenger's point of view.

**February 19 – March 20**  
You can avoid being swamped by all those tasks dangling from your line this week by tackling them one-by-one, according to priority. The weekend brings good news.

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