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Riverside County confirms Bird Flu presence

Officials scramble to contain outbreak, assure public risk remains low

By JP CRUMRINE

CORRESPONDENT

Last month, Gov. Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency in response to Avian influenza A (H5N1), commonly known as "Bird Flu."

This month, Riverside County health officials have confirmed its presence in the county. According to the Riverside University Health System, 23 cases have been identified and confirmed as testing positive for Bird flu. The virus's presence was found on dairy and poultry farms, including one back yard flock, throughout Riverside County.

However, officials stressed that this was not a danger warning. The County has already implemented precautions in response to bird flu local virus. In collaboration with the Office of the Agricultural Commissioner, Animal Services and Environmental Health, have established enhanced biosecurity at local farms, secured personal protective equipment and flu vaccines for farm workers, and maintained health monitoring.

"The overall risk to the general population is low," said Riverside County Health Officer Dr. Geoffrey Leung. "Additional safety measures are being implemented at affected dairy and poultry farms, including ongoing monitoring for symptoms in farm workers, the use of personal protective equipment, and ensuring access to timely laboratory testing and treatment if and when needed."

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control latest (as of Jan. 16) data, the Bird Flu virus has been confirmed in dairy herds in 16 states from California to Ohio and North Carolina in the East and from Minnesota to Texas. The greatest number of herds testing positive have been in California.

Despite its widespread presence, no human-to-human transmission has been found. The "high risk" individuals are considered those who work or interact with dairy cows, all types of poultry (including backyard flocks), cats or wildlife, especially wild birds, according to County Health.

CDC has also reported 67 cases of Bird Flu in people. One person has died from this flu. Thirty-eight of the human cases have occurred in California, the greatest of any state. All but two of the California cases were found to be from contact with dairy herds.

There is no vaccine for the Bird Flu

According to Leung, individuals should avoid drinking raw, unpasteurized milk and raw milk products, and make sure poultry and eggs are cooked to an internal temperature of at least 165 degrees. Raw dairy, raw poultry and raw pet food should not be fed to pets.

"There is no evidence that humans or pets can get bird flu through pasteurized dairy or properly prepared poultry and eggs cooked to the correct temperature," the County press release said.

However, if an individual believes that they have been in contact with the virus, they should wash their hands immediately. Importantly, they should also avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth.


County Health advises that they should monitor themselves for symptoms for 10 days after their last exposure.

"Symptoms include eye redness (conjunctivitis), cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, diarrhea, vomiting, muscle or body aches, headaches, fatigue, difficulty breathing and fever. Contact your healthcare provider if you develop symptoms and share any exposure you may have had to sick animals. If the exposure happened at your worksite, notify your employer," the County recommended.

smARTS program delivers arts education to Idyllwild School

By DAVID JEROME

CORRESPONDENT



For over 20 years, smARTS has been delivering enriching arts education to students of the Idyllwild School. An all-volunteer, grant-funded program, they work with the school's Parent Teacher Organization to bring professionals from many disciplines within the arts into the classroom. The program is a testament to what parents and others can accomplish locally with teamwork.

Christine Hunt has been part of smARTS since she moved to Idyllwild in 2011 with her children, then in 2nd and 4th grade. "People said if you want to become part of the community, you have to volunteer, and the best place to volunteer is smARTS." Hunt said that the program's founder, artist Joann Tomsche, felt the need to supplement the California curriculum's neglect of the arts. Tomsche got some friends together and worked with the PTA to establish the program.

"When I joined, I thought it was great. I couldn't believe they had a program of such quality," Hunt, a leadership and organizational effectiveness consultant, was also impressed with the way the smARTS made decisions. "I've never seen such a well-run volunteer organization."

The program grew to give over 300 classes a year. There are three eight-week sessions each year. Presently the program reaches classrooms from TK (Transitional Kindergarten) to the 5th grade. Pre-pandemic, the middle school students were included.

The grant funding comes from local organizations like the Art Alliance of Idyllwild, and Youth Grant Makers, through the Idyllwild Community Fund. Youth Grant Makers involves middle school students in the grant process: kids themselves learn to review applications, evaluate community needs, and debate the merits of proposals.

Volunteer artists and assistants teach the smARTS classes. The artists confer with the regular classroom teachers and often develop projects that integrate with the regular curriculum. For example, if the children have recently read a story about bats, they may find themselves making bats. SmARTS provides the materials, and the artists also have a budget for materials.

The program includes other special activities in addition to these core classes. For example, it takes the kids on field trips to

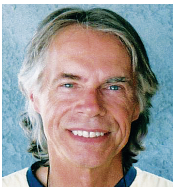
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# Hill water usage relatively constant in 2024 despite diminished rainfall

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

Rain and snow fell on the Hill last weekend and it was needed regardless of the inconveniences. This is the first significant precipitation since summer.

Idyllwild and Pine Cove received between 4 and 5 inches of snow, according to the National Weather Service. Two years ago, more than 24 inches of rain and snow had fallen on the Hill.

The last half of 2024 was one of the driest six months on record, not only on the Hill but throughout Southern California. This was a major contributor to the devastating wildfires last month in the Los Angeles basin. Certainly, this precipitation will reduce wildfire threat somewhat but not eliminate it. And so far, it was noticeably less than the past two winters.

“This will without doubt lower the probabilities of ignition and greatly lessen the chance of fire consuming large amounts of acreage,” said Mark LaMont, Chief of the Idyllwild Fire Department in an text to the Town Crier.

The California Department of Water Resources completed is second snowpack survey of the winter season and the results were disappointing despite the rainfall Northern California received this fall.

“The manual survey recorded 22.5 inches of snow depth and a snow water equivalent of 8 inches, which is 46 percent of average for this location. . . Statewide, the snowpack is 65 percent of average for this date,” DWR reported in its Jan. 31 press release.

The National Weather Service forecast for this week is a slight chance of rain from Tuesday evening through Friday. At this time, the NWS models are not predicting a high probability of more precipitation, yet.

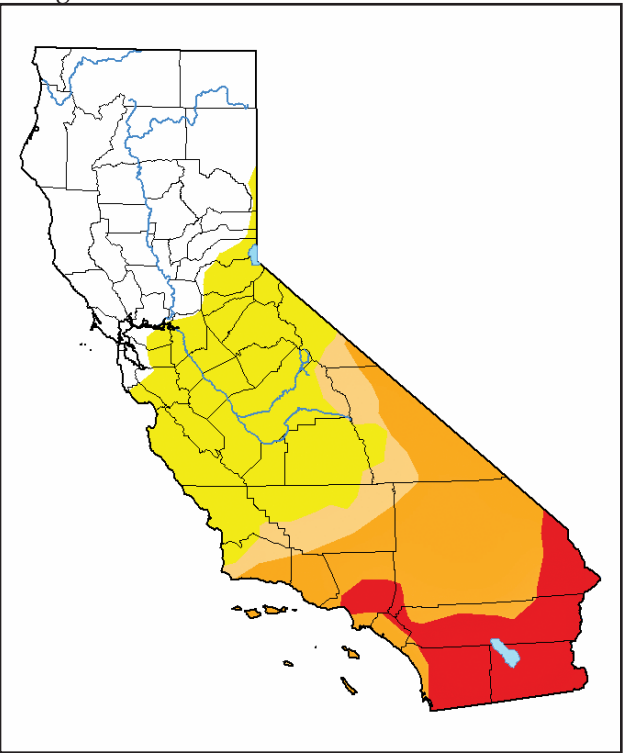
Dr. Daniel Swain, meteorologist and climate scientist at the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability at the University of California, Los Angeles, opined on Weather West, his website, on Jan. 31, the dramatic difference in precipitation between Northern and Southern California is likely to continue through spring.

“Odds favor continued near to above average precipitation across the northern third of California and below average precipitation across the southern third

(perhaps well below average),” he wrote.

A major consequence of the lack of rain is that significant drought conditions have returned to Southern California, including Riverside County.

While none of the State is in category 4 (an Exceptional Drought), Extreme Drought conditions have returned to most of Southern California – Imperial, Riverside and San Diego counties. Also portions of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties are incurring Extreme Drought. Only one-third of the State is free of any drought conditions.



According to the U.S. Drought monitor, 11.9 % of the State is now in Extreme Drought. It hasn’t been that high since January 2023. Further, Extreme conditions began to appear in November, but never exceeded 1 % until Jan. 21, when the calculation was nearly 12 %.

Despite the absence of precipitation until last week, none of the Hill water districts have needed to declare any water emergency stages. Although that may depend upon the amount of late winter and spring rain.

Water usage on the Hill has been conservative.

Idyllwild Water District, the largest of the three, produced 96.9 million gallons in 2024. That was an increase of 2.3 million gallons or only 2.4 %, which General Manager Bill Rojas attributed to greater commercial customer use as the visitation to the Hill continued to return to pre-COVID levels.

IWD’s 2024 production was about 8.9 % greater than its ten-year average. Rojas thought this was also largely due to greater commercial production since 2014.

Pine Cove Water District produced 32.4 million gallons of water in 2024. This was 2.7 % less than its 2023 production and 7.3 % less than the District’s ten-year average production of 34.9 million gallons. Jeremy Potter, PCWD’s general manager, said, “Conservation and early leak detection” were the principal reasons for the decline both in the past year and longer term.

Conservation and new meters will help the PCWD maintain a consistent level of production, he added.

Fern Valley had less than 1 % increase in 2024 production, barely any increase in production. The 35.9 million gallons were only 3.7 % greater than the FVWD’s ten-year average. General Manager Victor Jimenez said in an email to the Town Crier, “I think it is due to changes up here from Covid, a lot of properties changed hands.”

Hill water customers seem quite aware of the local water conditions. PCWD is not the only District that benefits from conservation. Rojas noted, “The majority of our customers do conserve water when asked or posted as we get into the dryer summer months.”

Both FVWD and IWD rely on stream flow and wells for water supply, while PCWD is dependent on wells alone. Jimenez mentioned that the streams are currently flowing very well given the lack of rain

“The creeks are a definite benefit as they have been running year-round for us, reducing the need for ground water therefore alleviating demands on the wells and water available from the wells,” he said.

While the 2025 spring and summer water status is unknown now, all three general managers stated that their maximum production was significantly greater than the long-term average. While conservation may be needed, no one expects a water or drought disaster on the Hill.








# Idyllwild Fire Crew Cleans Up Playground After Storm



After high winds snapped a tall pine tree at the Idyllwild Community Playground, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District quickly stepped in to help. Responding to a request from the Idyllwild Community Center (ICC), the crew removed the tree, cleaned the area, and donated the wood to the Woodies to support local families. While the playground sustained some damage, ICC is working on repairs, and the community is grateful for IFPD's swift response.

PHOTO COURTESY OF ICC

## Idyllwild Weather

Day	High / Low	Conditions
 Wednesday 2/5	56°F / 43°F	A little morning rain; otherwise, mainly cloudy
 Thursday 2/6	53°F / 44°F	Considerable cloudiness and cool
 Friday 2/7	51°F / 33°F	A brief shower or two in the morning; otherwise, cool with clouds yielding to sun
 Saturday 2/8	60°F / 35°F	Mostly sunny and warmer
 Sunday 2/9	60°F / 26°F	Times of clouds and sun
 Monday 2/10	53°F / 27°F	Partly sunny and cool
 Tuesday 2/11	53°F / 28°F	Mostly sunny



Lily Rock

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# IFPD Chief LaMont discusses long range planning, his own eventual retirement, and succession

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

The January meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Idyllwild Fire Protection District included the election of officers, the promotions of five firefighters, and the first mention by Chief Mark LaMont of his plans for retirement and succession.

At this first meeting of the year two commissioners, Henry Sawicki and Dennis Fogle, who were unopposed in the November election, were sworn in again. The board then elected new officers. Rhonda Andrewson moved from the role of secretary to that of President. Dan Messina moved from President to Vice President, and Henry Sawicki became Secretary. Stephanie Yost and Dennis Fogle continue as Directors at Large.

Yost thanked IFPD on behalf of the Idyllwild Community Center for their work cleaning up a tree that fell on the ICC playground. Yost noted that IFPD arrived in 15 minutes, and not only removed the tree but cut up the trunk but also transported the wood to the Woodies' storage area at the Help Center, and then cleaned up the playground.

Five firefighters received promotions. They took an oath of office and received new badges. This included two Battalion Chiefs, James LaMont and Adam Rodriguez. Both are Captains and have served as "Detailed Battalion Chiefs" before taking their Chief's examinations.

Also receiving new badges were two Firefighter/EMTs, Josh Leih and Jackson Steward. Leih is now an Engineer/Paramedic, and Steward a Firefighter Paramedic. Tyler Ohm is now a Probationary Firefighter/EMT.

Members of the firefighters' families attended and did the honors of pinning on their new badges. Lamont made a point of thanking the families for the many sacrifices they have made to support the men during their training.

The board packet for the meetings included lengthy lists of the duties of the new Battalion Chiefs. LaMont's duties will focus on administration and Rodriguez on operations, but there is a lot of overlap. The duties include administrative tasks like payroll and budgeting, but also planning, recruiting, and training. They will be tasked with building relationships with the District's many cooperating agency partners. They must develop proficiency in ambulance and mutual aid billing and understand things like tax revenue cycles and parcel

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Engineer Paramedic Josh Leih receives his new badge from son Uriah, as wife Naomi looks on

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By Steven Morrison, M.A.

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Dear Spiritual Workout:

I have run my own business for close to 25 years but I go through an elaborate process of building up dread before most any meeting. There’s one pending now with a long-term client. It’s our annual review/renew meeting and my angst is off the charts. When the meetings are over, the process I put myself through seems silly in retrospect as my concerns never play out. Are there any tools or techniques that can reduce or eliminate the process I go through?

Dear Reader:

Yes! If we were together, I’d start by talking with you about this while using E.F.T./Tapping in an effort to uncover specific beliefs you likely harbor that create the dread and angst you experience (e.g., “I’ll mess it up;” “I have nothing new to offer”). If you already know what they are, we can just start there and, again, use E.F.T./Tapping to “challenge” the beliefs, ultimately transmuting and transforming them into ones that serve you (e.g., “I shine in client meetings;” “My clients depend on my expertise”). The other piece of this would, of course, be creating and/or refining your intention(s) for when you meet with your clients, intention(s) wherein you are eager for your meetings and always perform in a way that satisfies you, your team, and your client. Focusing on what’s wanted creates what’s wanted.

Dear Spiritual Workout:

I recently heard the term “spiritual PTSD” and it seems to apply to me and my history. From my upbringing in my family and my church. It seems to have a lot to do with so much fear that I experience, too. Do you know anything about this?

Dear Reader:

No and yes. No in terms of your specific experience and/or church and/or family. I am personally a fan of any and all teachings — in churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples of all kinds — that enhance the lives of the people who engage them. Of course. Yes, in terms of someone whose Spiritual Workout practice pays close attention to beliefs and how they create experience. One of the ways we all take on beliefs is by having them spoon-fed to us when we are very young. Money doesn’t grow on trees? Got it, thanks. You’ll burn in hell if you do this and that? Got it, thanks. You’re a beautiful person? Got it, thanks. You are the reason your father left us? Got it, thanks. Sometimes these spoon-fed beliefs serve us, sometimes they don’t. But it’s often not until we’re adults that we notice some beliefs we were spoon-fed as kids are really hard for us to digest as we live our adult lives and we enter a period of questioning and reflection: This is what I was taught, but this other way is what I now believe. Hmmm. So now get clear about what you want for your adult Self, keep any and all beliefs you have that support and align with what you want and eliminate the ones that don’t — regardless of where they came from, without judgment.

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# Supervisors begin addressing immigration issues

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

At their Jan. 28, the Board of Supervisors had a major discussion about immigration and the role Riverside County can possibly assume in the future for both Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program participants and law-abiding undocumented immigrants.

Board Chair V. Manuel Perez (4th District) and Supervisor Yxstian Gutierrez (5th District) submitted the proposal. More than 70 people spoke for and against the idea.

Perez made it clear that this was not a resolution taking a stand on immigration and federal laws. Many speakers were misinterpreting the intent of this action, he stressed.

“I thought it is important to move forward with this type of measure and we are not asking for a resolution yet,” he emphasized. “We’re asking that we recognize that as a County that has always been on the right side of history, in my opinion, when it comes to inclusion. We’re following the law and will continue to follow the laws.”

Perez and Gutierrez asked their colleagues to agree with them to direct the County Executive Office to take several steps, all of which are essentially data collection and information sharing.

The first action would be an evaluation of how the County collects, manages and stores data for DACA program participants and law-abiding undocumented immigrants.

Secondly, they ask the CEO to report on existing and potential funding sources to support law-abiding undocumented immigrants who face deportation proceedings. These two reports are to be to the Board by Feb. 25.

The third step would be drafting a resolution affirming that the County is a “vibrant, compassionate, and inclusionary county for all law-abiding immigrants and refugees.” This draft resolution will be ready for the Feb. 4 session.

Fourth action for the County staff would be the creation of a webpage with information and resources related to immigration.

Representative of those opposed to the proposal, Kenneth Prado began, “It’s the wrong policy. In the 2024 Presidential Election, voters overwhelming voted for se-

curity, legal immigration and protection of their families. . . a clear majority do not support sanctuary policies. . . If you approve this you’re disregarding the voice of the people.”

Although County Sheriff Chad Bianco was in Washington, D.C. during the meeting, he asked Under Sheriff Don Sharp to deliver his views to the Board.

“It is not a matter of ‘if’, it is when something bad will happen in our county. A sanctuary state policy is a threat to all county residents,” Sharp said for Bianco.

Many public speakers encouraged the Supervisors to go forward with this action. “We need to demonstrate as a community, immigrants are welcome here,” said Jeff Greene, the first speaker.

When the supervisors began their discussion, Chuck Washington (3rd District) expressed some reservations, He viewed it as two competing and important positions. One perspective emphasizes the importance of individuals and helping other people and the opposing position emphasizes the potential effects on Riverside County.

In particular, he was concerned that items two and four could potentially create a significant legal quagmire for the County. But Gutierrez assured Washington, with support from County Counsel Minh Tran, that these steps were not creating a “sanctuary policy” and were “... consistent with State and Federal laws.”

Before the final vote, Washington and Sharp had another discussion about the role of the County Sheriff. The Supervisor noted that the fear of law enforcement by some county residents is that law enforcement is targeting them or they’re part of a targeted group.

“No deputy is driving down the road assessing somebody’s immigration status, they’re assessing their driving habits,” Sharp replied. “The belief or the assumption that our deputies are out there with immigration being the first and foremost thing their doing is not true.”

The Board then voted 4-0 to move forward. Supervisor Karen Spiegel was absent.

The next step will be a resolution entitled, “Affirming Riverside County to be a Vibrant, Compassionate, and Welcoming County for all Law-abiding Immigrants and Refugees,” which is on the Board’s Feb. 4 agenda.

## smARTS

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the McCallum Theater in Palm Desert and to events at the Idyllwild Arts Academy. Field trips require buses, which the School District requires smARTS to pay for.

At the Academy, the students attend dance performances and have participated in special workshops. Twice each year, IAA National Merit students come to Idyllwild School to lead classes themselves. “The kids adore having them come, having teenagers for teachers. They’ll teach them dances; they’ll do plays, songs, art projects.”

For many years, smARTS worked with local venues like IAA, Middle Ridge Winery, and the Rainbow Inn to mount a biennial exhibition of student works from classroom projects. This is another tradition they would like to get going again.

There also two “legacy” smARTS programs at the school. Students finishing 5th grade decorate wooden fence pickets however they want to. The pickets then are added to the fence outside the school. Departing 8th graders create tiles that are attached to the exterior of the school. These are a “goodbye” to their school, a legacy they leave behind.

Hunt recalls that pre-pandemic, the smARTS committee had 8-12 members, each with one or more duties. Much of that work is now being done by a mother/daughter team, Sarah and Stacy Oates. “Sarah and Stacy are the angels; they are doing it themselves.” Sarah schedules the artists, and Stacy the helpers.

Sarah Oates says she got involved because she is a devoted mom. “I love kids, my energy is fed by being with them.” The program is possible because there are so many artists in our community, many educational experiences. “Many of our artists are former teachers, they step back into the classroom and get right back into it.”

Oates sees the impact on students that an integrated arts curriculum can have: “Art engages the imagination and teaches confidence. Everybody’s an artist until they are told they’re not. Kids see how amazing art is. Some

kids have standards, they are critical of themselves. That’s not what art is about. Nothing in the world is perfect. Art allows you to learn about yourself.”

Artists and students alike take away joy from the classes. “Teachers tell us that absences on Friday are tiny because the kids wanted to be in smARTS.” The artist, Oates adds, “Come out grinning.”

The program is still trying to get back to pre-pandemic levels; they have had to discontinue the program for middle school students (grades 6-8) because of the lack of volunteers.

Asked how artists or others can volunteer to help level up the Idyllwild School smARTS programs, Stacy said they can call or email her: (760) 518-7881, [stacyoates@gmail.com](mailto:stacyoates@gmail.com).



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Fit After 50 - 10:00 AM - Town Hall  
Youth Basketball League - 5:00 PM - Idyllwild School  
Jazzercise - 5:30 PM - Town Hall  
Adult Basketball League - 6:00 PM - Idyllwild

**School**  
Storytime - Valentine's Day/Hugs and Kisses - 7:00 PM - Idyllwild Library

**Thursday, 02/06**  
Jazzercise - 8:30 AM - Town Hall  
Fit After 50 - 10:00 AM - Town Hall

**Friday, 02/07**  
Jazzercise - 8:30 AM - Town Hall  
Fit After 50 - 12:00 PM - Town Hall  
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Youth Basketball League - 5:00 PM - Idyllwild School

**Saturday, 02/08**  
Jazzercise - 8:30 AM - Town Hall

**Sunday, 02/09**  
Pottery Demonstration w/ Master Potter Dr. Arthur Tobis - 1:00 PM - Mountain Pottery  
Farmers Market - 9:00 AM - Town Hall

**Monday, 02/10**  
Jazzercise - 8:30 AM - Town Hall  
Fit After 50 - 12:00 PM - Town Hall  
Jazzercise - 5:30 PM - Town Hall

**Tuesday, 02/11**  
Jazzercise - 7:00 AM - Town Hall

**Fit After 50 - 10:00 AM - Town Hall**  
Mountain Communities Mutual Aid with Mara Schoner and Mark Yardas - 5:00 PM - Idyllwild Library  
Jazzercise - 5:30 PM - Town Hall  
Jazz Night - 7:00 PM - Ferro

Spiritual Mountain Retreat Gatherings 25661 Oakwood St, Idyllwild-Pine Cove, CA 92549			
Sunday	AA - Discussion	Noon	Idyllwild Water District
	AA - Speaker meeting (last Sunday of the month)	Noon	St. Hugh's
	"Mixed Nuts" (Al-Anon with AA participation)	5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Spirit Mountain Retreat
Monday	AA - Discussion	Noon	St. Hugh's
	CoDA (CoDependents Anonymous)	6:00 PM	Zoom - Call Mary at 951-634-4048 for Zoom link
Tuesday	AA - 12x12	Noon	St. Hugh's
Wednesday	CoDA (Co-Dependents Anonymous)	Noon	St. Hugh's
Thursday	AA - Discussion & Birthdays	Noon	St. Hugh's
	Emotions Anonymous	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Spirit Mountain Retreat
	Al-Anon	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Spirit Mountain Retreat
Friday	Idy A's - Members of AA, NA, Al-Anon, CODA, etc.	Noon	St. Hugh's
	AA with Al-Anon participation	5:30 PM	Ark of Light
Saturday	AA - Big Book Study	Noon	St. Hugh's
	NA - "Recovery on the Hill" meeting	3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Inside Idyllwild Water District
	AA - Happy Hour & Birthdays	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Behind Idyllwild Water District (bring your own chair)
Every day	Closed AA Meeting (you are welcome if you have a desire to stop drinking)	Noon	Zoom - email serenitvinpines@gmail.com for Zoom link

- **Day of Mindfulness**—3rd Monday of the month - ZOOM only - Sharing, practice, silence and peace (\$25 suggested donation, includes light lunch) - 9:30 am - 3:00 pm Facilitator: Mary Morse

• **Net of Light Meeting** — Last Monday of each month - ZOOM only - Join the important work of the Great Council of the Grandmothers - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Facilitators: Beacon Mary Morse

• **Tai Chi for Seniors** - Every Tuesday 10:00 am
- to 11:00 am - Meditate through Movement - in the Garden - Facilitator: Cathy Mauge
- **Death Café** — Every - second Tuesday of the month - 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm - It won't kill you to talk about death - Facilitators: Bronwyn Jones & Ari Simon
- **SMR Book Club** — Every second & fourth Tuesday of the month - 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm Facilitator: Mary Morse
- **Lovingkindness** — Every Tuesday - ZOOM only - Meditation Send

- lovingkindness to the world - 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm
- Self-Realization Every Tuesday (in Hill House or garden) - Fellowship Meditation 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- **Women Veterans with PTSD** Every - other Tuesday at 6:00 pm - ZOOM only. - Support Group This is a private group and all women veterans are - welcome. Call 951-634-4048 for link information.
- **Shaolin Qi Gong/Chicks with Sticks**
- Qi Gong and Stick Exercises - in the Garden - Sticks Wednesdays 11:00 am - Facilitator: Teresa Halliburton
- **Emotions Anonymous 12 Step Group** — Every Thursday in Hill House - 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- **Al-Anon 12 Step Group** — Every Thursday in Hill House - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
- **Women's Writing Group with fellow writers** — Every Friday (in Hill House and on Zoom) - 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls

- IDYLLWILD**
- CHECK THE WELFARE 01-27- FOLLOW-UP 02-03-2025 17:43 PM ADDRESS WITHHELD IDYLLWILD

• HARRASSING PHONE CALLS 02-03-2025 13:30 PM ADDRESS WITHHELD IDYLLWILD

• SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE 02-03-2025 11:16 AM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK SOUTH CIRCLE DR IDYLLWILD

• FOLLOW-UP 02-03-2025 10:36 AM ADDRESS WITHHELD IDYLLWILD

- ALARM CALL 02-03-2025 09:43 AM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK NORTH CIRCLE DR IDYLLWILD

• CHECK THE WELFARE 02-03-2025 09:42 AM 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK FOSTERiyAH IDYLLWILD HEMET

• PUBLIC DISTURBANCE 02-03-2025 08:24 AM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK CEDAR ST IDYLLWILD

• SUSPICIOUS PERSON 02-03-2025 05:12 AM 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK DICKENSON RD IDYLLWILD

• ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT 02-02-2025 17:32 PM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK SOUTH CIRCLE DR IDYLLWILD

• FOLLOW-UP 02-02-2025 05:38 AM ADDRESS WITHHELD IDYLLWILD

• UNKNOWN TROUBLE 02-02-2025 03:07 AM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK FERN VALLEY RD IDYLLWILD

- 911 HANGUP FROM CELL-PHONE 02-01-2025 23:34 PM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD DR SAN JACINTO

• PUBLIC DISTURBANCE 02-01-2025 16:46 PM 5300 \*\*\* BLOCK WEST RIDGE RD IDYLLWILD UNFOUNDED

• PUBLIC ASSIST 02-01-2025 16:33 PM 1000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD DR SAN JACINTO

• CIVIL DISPUTE 01-31-2025 14:24 PM 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK SOUTH CIRCLE DR IDYLLWILD

• ALARM CALL 01-31-2025 01:40 AM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK LINGER LN IDYLLWILD

• VANDALISM 01-30-2025 17:35 PM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK CASSLER DR IDYLLWILD REPORT TAKEN

• PUBLIC ASSIST 01-30-2025 16:25 PM 2600 \*\*\* BLOCK ST HWY 243 IDYLLWILD

- PUBLIC ASSIST 01-30-2025 15:03 PM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD SAN JACINTO

• SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE 01-30-2025 15:01 PM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK MARIAN VIEW DR IDYLLWILD

• AREA CHECK 01-30-2025 12:35 AM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD SPC 10 SAN JACINTO

• SUSPICIOUS PERSON 01-30-2025 06:05 AM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE CREST AV IDYLLWILD

• CHECK THE WELFARE 01-29-2025 22:08 PM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK FERN VALLEY RD IDYLLWILD

• CHECK THE WELFARE 01-29-2025 22:03 PM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK FERN VALLEY RD IDYLLWILD

• 911 CALL FROM BUSINESS 01-29-2025 15:53 PM 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK MARANATHA DR IDYLLWILD

- BATTERY 01-29-2025 13:32 PM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD DR SAN JACINTO

• 911 CALL FROM BUSINESS 01-29-2025 13:30 PM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD DR SAN JACINTO

• TRAFFIC 01-29-2025 10:41 AM 000 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLWILD SAN JACINTO CITATION ISSUED

• SUSPICIOUS PERSON 01-28-2025 18:00 PM 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK SCENIC DR IDYLLWILD

• FOUND PROPERTY 01-28-2025 12:26 AM ADDRESS UNDEFINED IDYLLWILD REPORT TAKEN

• PUBLIC DISTURBANCE 01-28-2025 09:33 AM 2600 \*\*\* BLOCK ST HWY 243 IDYLLWILD

**PINE COVE**

• MISSING PERSON 02-02-2025 20:21 PM 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE COVE RD PINE COVE REPORT TAKEN

- MARION RIDGE DR PINE COVE

• AREA CHECK 01-29-2025 18:20 PM 243/PINE COVE HEMET

**GARNER VALLERY**

NONE

**POPPET FLATS**

• SUSPICIOUS PERSON 02-03-2025 16:03 PM ADDRESS UNDEFINED POPPET FLATS

• TRESPASSING 01-31-2025 14:36 PM 4500 \*\*\* BLOCK PARTRIDGE ST POPPET FLATS

• VANDALISM 01-29-2025 17:15 PM ADDRESS UNDEFINED POPPET FLATS REPORT TAKEN

• DANGER TO SELF/OTHER 01-29-2025 09:30 AM 1800 \*\*\* BLOCK DEER TRL POPPET FLATS REPORT TAKEN

**SAN BERDO NAT FORS**

• ALARM CALL 02-01-2025 13:53 PM 5800 \*\*\* BLOCK BONITA VISTA RD SAN BERDO NAT FORS

• CHECK THE WELFARE 01-31-2025 17:57 PM ADDRESS UNDEFINED SAN BERDO NAT FORS

• CHECK THE WELFARE 01-30-2025 16:47 PM 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK FOSTERiyAH DR SAN BERDO NAT FORS

• ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT 01-28-2025 16:25 PM ADDRESS UNDEFINED SAN BERDO NAT FORS

**TWIN PINES**

• CHECK THE WELFARE 01-31-2025 16:01 PM 1600 \*\*\* BLOCK VALLEY HI DR TWIN PINES

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IFPD

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Battalion Chief James LaMont takes his oath with wife Mary by his side



Battalion Chief Adam Rodrigues takes oath of office from Chief Mark LaMont as his wife Jennifer and their three sons watch.

fees. Essentially, both men are to be able to lead IFPD. They will begin to alternate giving reports at future board meetings.

IFPD meetings often include announcements that personnel have completed some type of training, but this month the packet included a copy of a certificate for a course that Chief Mark LaMont himself completed, the S-520 Advanced Incident Management course. It took place at the headquarters of the National Advanced Fire and Resource Center in Tucson Arizona. LaMont described the course as a “relentless eight days,” and said that of the 87 firefighters who began the course, only 20 finished. Participants engaged in simulations of every type of emergency, gaming out the life and death consequences of their decisions. LaMont said it was the last “cert” he could earn.

This was also the first board meeting at which Chief Mark Lamont used words like “retirement” and “succession plan.” He has been with the District since 2001 and has been laying the groundwork for succession for some time. Having two Battalion Chiefs is part of that planning.

Many members of the USFS were also at the meeting. They, like LaMont, were quick to point out that cooperation between agencies is a point of pride. Several of the USFS firefighters confirmed during a break that pay and staffing for USFS is a serious issue, noting that last year the San Jacinto Ranger District lost four captains to CalFire. Many firefighters get their training with the Forest Service and then are lured to the state agency by better pay. Forest Service pay is set nationally, and adequate pay for many states does not go very far in California. The men also expressed concern that congress is considering deep cuts in positions and pay for federal employees.

The Chief’s report included brief notes on two of the LA County Mutual Aid Incidents that IFPD responded to this month; the Eaton and Palisades Fires. This was the introduction to what LaMont said would be a three-part presentation over the next two meetings, focused on long range planning to address fire risk here in Idyllwild and across the state.

This month’s installment was titled “How did we get here?” In March LaMont plans to review “What are we doing now?,” and at the May meeting he will address the future, “How can we make things better?”

His summary of California’s fire history begins before 1800, with much more forest and fewer inhabitants. At that time, the report estimates that of the present state’s 100 million acres, four to five million burned each year, 4-5%. Since 2000, the annual burn areas have averaged between .01% and 2%, with 2020 being a “standout” year, with over 8,000 fires burning 4.5 million acres.

LaMont adds that our present pattern of habitation puts half a million people in zones said to be at “very high risk of fire,” and close to three million in “high fire hazard severity zones.” He points to three “Ps” behind the situation: population, which has grown in dangerous places; Planning, which has allowed so much flammable construction; and Permission, meaning the complex web of regulations that makes hardening communities difficult.

The report says that the majority of wildfires since 1980 have been started by human activity. The top four causes are equipment use, power lines, arson, and lightning. LaMont asks, “What are we doing to increase the risk of fire?” and provides these answers: misuse of equipment, neglect of power infrastructure maintenance, and “mental health crisis” meaning arson.

LaMont asked the commissioners to consider forming two ad-hoc committees at their next meeting, one to work with him on the long-range plan, and another to look at changing the District’s policy on unused vacation and sick pay. Presently this is paid out at retirement, at an employee’s final rate of compensation, but LaMont said that it would save money to pay it out annually. Changing this would mean a change in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that the District has with its workers.

LaMont also announced he is beginning work on a long-range planning document. He noted that government agencies tend to plan around four-year political cycles, but that big issues are generational and need to be addressed consistently. He wants to create a plan for IFPD that looks at the next 25 years. He said he would be sharing his “work product” with individual commissioners and soliciting comments from them, but they were not to discuss it among themselves outside meetings. The Chief plans to take six months to complete this. “It will not be perfect, but it will be a guide.”

The next meeting will be March 25.

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SINDI PAOLA JOLON CORTEZ  
36825 CAMINO SPRINGS AVE, MURRIETA, CA 92563.

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Registrant Signature:  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as IDY BABY, 54440 N. CIRCLE DR #F, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. RIVERSIDE COUNTY. Mailing address: PO BOX 157, IDYLLWILD, CA 9254.

AVALON MOUNTAIN PUBLISHING LLC

PO BOX 157, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

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

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Registrant Signature:  
SUZANNE AVALON

MEMBER

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SELAH MUSIC THERAPY, 26011 HEM STREET PLACE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: PO BOX 1668, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

CHRISTINE PYO  
PO BOX 1668, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

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Registrant Signature:  
CHRISTINE PYO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of  
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**Pub. TC: Jan. 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 2025**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as MOUNTAIN VIEW AGILITY, 43920 COWBOY COUNTRY TRAIL, AGUANGA, CA 92536

RIVERSIDE COUNTY. Mailing address: 43920 COWBOY COUNTRY TRAIL, AGUANGA, CA 92536.

VICKIE R DEMENGE

43920 COWBOY COUNTRY TRIL, AGUANGA, CA 92536.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

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Registrant Signature:  
VICKIE R DEMENGE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of  
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R-202500801

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as TRONA REALTY, TRONA REAL ESTATE, SEARLES VALLEY REAL ESTATE, SEARLES VALLEY REALTY, 54295 NORTH CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

RIDGEWAY VISION INC

54295 NORTH CIRCLE DRIVE, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 11/16/2024.

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:  
SHANE STEWART

PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as POSSESS THE GATES, 54910 STRONG DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

Mailing address: PO BOX 1111, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

CANDICE JO CARLON  
PO BOX 1111, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 12/09/2024.

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:  
CANDICE JO CARLON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of  
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R-202500269

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**CERTIFICATION**

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

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IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., FEB 6, 2025

## Idyllwild Forest Health Project founders to talk at Library

*Food distribution volunteers and recipients share their stories*

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

The Idyllwild Forest Health Project was founded by Mark Yardas and Mara Schoner as a response to the threat that wildfire presents to our mountain communities. Its goal was to create a “circular economy around better fuels management and eco-system-based forest management.” The organization, a 501(c) (3) nonprofit, was set up as an open platform that could take on various projects beyond what Yardas and Schoner originally envisioned, helping individuals and groups come together to address common needs.

With the pandemic, food insecurity emerged as a threat to the community, and Mountain Communities Mutual Aid was set up to address the needs of residents. A series of “Mental Hygiene Workshops,” held in Town Hall, aimed to improve individual and community mental health skills.

Yardas and Schoner will be giving a talk at Idyllwild Library on Tuesday February 11, at 5 PM, at the invitation of the Friends of the Library. They tell us that the event will be less a talk than a participatory event. “Activities will focus on envisioning community benefit projects for Idyllwild and the mountain communities, identifying issues, concerns, and strengths.” Yardas believes that these kinds of projects help to bridge ideological divides. “People come from different backgrounds and world views, but they can all focus on projects that help everybody.”

We spoke this week with people who volunteer with MCMA’s food share program and those who receive aid. These two groups overlap: many come for a food box and come back to help, and most volunteers take a box home. The benefits don’t just feed the body. “Some people feel that they come to volunteer because it’s a generous thing but find that it’s also a way into the community and helps their own mental health.”

Adam Iyaman has been volunteering since 2021 as a “wrangler,” helping with the physical work of preparing food boxes and getting them into the hands and

cars of recipients. He has seen people living out of their cars during winter. “There are definitely people who need the help, it seems they wouldn’t eat without it.” Some struggle with mental health challenges. “It’s not just food; people post requests on the MCMA Facebook page for all kinds of help.”

Shifts are kept to 3 hours or less, and helping out is a very social activity. Iyaman says, “It’s really fun to volunteer, everybody is a tight-knit group. I’ve met a lot of people I would not have known otherwise that are important to me now.”

Trina Vukov has received aid from MCMA for the last year. She came to Idyllwild six years ago, and felt lucky to find a place she could afford, and that would accept her dog. Then her Social Security was cut. “I needed some help with groceries. They have just been a life saver for me.” When health issues did not allow her to drive in to get her box, there was someone to bring it to her.

Jamie Bates is originally from Menifee. She has a membership at Thousand Trails and stays there as much as she is able. She heard about MCMA’s food distribution through a friend and just showed up one day. Volunteers showed her how to put their app on her phone. The app allows users to request boxes, indicating preferences and special items, and schedule pick-ups so that the line is never too long.

Bates says she came up here with only summer clothes. “One of the gals gave me some boots for the winter, some sweaters. It’s a lot colder than Menifee. Just this last week I experienced my first snowfall.” Bates herself also volunteers. “I love volunteering, it gets me out of the RV for a few hours, and I get to meet a lot of nice people there. I get to meet people from the community, greet them, find out how their day is going.” She agrees that life in the mountains can be hard but says “I have to adapt and manage.”

To learn more about the Idyllwild Forest Health Project and contribute to the conversation about future community-based projects, come to the Idyllwild Library, Tuesday, February 11, at 5 PM.

## Shana Halligan at Taryn’s Place



Shana Halligan hosted a listening party at Taryn’s Place last Saturday, celebrating **Bitter:Sweet’s** new album. The latest single, **Baby Is Back**, marks a bold return, blending the band’s signature sound with a fresh, cinematic edge.

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Momojo Rocks the room at Taryn's Place



Jazz Night at Ferro

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# Live Music

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CAFE AROMA 54750 N Circle Dr		TBA 5:30pm-8:30pm			TBA 5:30pm-8:30pm		
FERRO 25840 Cedar St							Jazz Night 6:30pm
MIDDLE RIDGE WINERY 54301 N Circle Dr			Francesca Brown Band   Country 4-7pm	Rock & Pop   Spare Change (John, Erik M, Erik L & George) 3-6pm	TBA 2-5pm		
TARYN'S PLACE 54200 N Circle Dr Unit A3		David the Page 6:30pm	Nathan James 6:30pm	Keith McCabe 6:30pm	Paul Carman & Bill Saitta 6:30pm	Vincent's Choice 6:30pm	

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# Friends of the Library hosting Mara Schoner & Mark Yardas

By Emily Heebner  
Contributor

On February 11, Friends of the Library is hosting Mara Schoner and Mark Yardas, former Idyllwildians and founders of Idyllwild Forest Health Project and Mountain Communities Mutual Aid (MCMA). Winners of the 2021 Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award, Mara and Mark will facilitate a lively event designed to inspire participants to become engaged contributors in our community.

Many people already know of MCMA, which provides food boxes and responds to service requests for mountain residents. The organization partners with food banks and nearby farms to ensure that recipients receive high quality nutrition. About 60 friendly volunteers make each FoodShare run smoothly and joyfully. Food box recipients include seniors, military veterans, families, people with disabilities and more. Membership to MCMA is free ([www.mountainaid.net](http://www.mountainaid.net)).

Mara and Mark founded the non-profit, Idyllwild Forest Health Project (IFHP), in response to the Mountain Fire of 2013 which burned 27,000 acres and caused Idyllwild residents to evacuate. IFHP researched economically viable approaches to ecosystem-based forest management and catastrophic wildfire prevention. They also created the "Idyllwild Conversations" — nonpartisan town hall meetings where residents explored local concerns and developed constructive strategies for moving forward.

In 2020, as a response to COVID-19, Mountain Communities Mutual Aid emerged under the IFHP umbrella. Since then, the numbers of Idyllwild residents receiving MCMA's twice-monthly food boxes has more than doubled from 80 households per FoodShare at the height of the pandemic to an average of 180 households today.

IFHP's next goal involves co-creating Community Benefit Projects with residents to increase local flourishing. As a next step, they will launch a survey designed to identify areas of need in our mountain communities.

IFHP partners with many generous organizations including the Soroptimists, Animal Rescue Friends, Camp Maranatha, Idyllwild Arts Academy, Riverside County's Office on Aging, local churches, and many others.

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library invite everyone to the Library Community Room on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 5pm to meet with Mara and Mark in person and explore opportunities for local growth and development!



# Calling All Writers: Join the Art Alliance of Idyllwild's Creative Community!

Contributed

Idyllwild, CA — The Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI) is thrilled to announce an exciting membership opportunity for writers, poets, and songwriters. Whether you're a seasoned author or just starting out, AAI invites all writers to become part of a dynamic and inclusive community where their creativity can flourish.

By joining AAI, writers will gain access to exclusive events, performance opportunities, and a supportive environment to share their work with others. This is a unique chance to connect with fellow writers, gain exposure, and deepen your involvement in the vibrant arts scene of Idyllwild.

**Member Benefits Include:**

Exclusive Invitations to a variety of events throughout the year, including readings, workshops, and networking opportunities.

Opportunities to Showcase Your Work through readings or performances at AAI-sponsored events.

Increased Visibility through features on the AAI website and social media platforms.

And more!

**Special Offer:**

Writers who sign up for membership by June 30, 2025, will receive a full year of membership for just \$10—a great value for all the benefits it includes!

**Opportunity for New Members:**

Writers who sign up by May 1, 2025, may have the opportunity to perform at the AAI Summer Kickoff Event (formerly Call of the Wyld) on May 10, 2025! This is a fantastic opportunity to share your work with a broader audience at one of our signature events.

To sign up, simply visit [AAI.ClubExpress.com](http://AAI.ClubExpress.com) or follow us on Instagram @artallianceofidyllwild for more details.

**MISSION:**  
Creating Community through Art

**VISION:**  
Enhancing our community through creativity, art education, exhibition, and artistic excellence.

**About the Art Alliance of Idyllwild**

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI) is a non-profit organization committed to supporting and enriching the local arts community in the greater Idyllwild area. Founded in the late 1990s by gallery owners Chris Trout and Grace Songolo, AAI has been at the heart of Idyllwild's artistic growth, playing a key role in making Idyllwild one of the top 100 art towns in America. AAI welcomes artists of all disciplines and fosters a creative, inclusive space for artistic collaboration, education, and exhibition. We celebrate and support artists of all ages and abilities, as well as those who simply want to contribute to the arts in our community.

For more information, please visit [www.aai.clubexpress.com](http://www.aai.clubexpress.com) or contact us at [artinidyllwild@gmail.com](mailto:artinidyllwild@gmail.com).

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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Starlynn Wood

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CREATURE CORNER

Last week in Days of Our Nine Lives, the ARF cats discussed the five new ARF puppies.



**Pepper:** Well, not only do we have 5 new puppies, but we also have new, young cats named Fluff-ers and Midnight.  
**Harley:** What's the info on the new cats?  
**Pepper:** Well, they're more like kittens, just 6 months old.  
**Marlowe:** I've heard they are ready to be adopted, spayed, vaccinated, and VERY friendly!!  
**Harley:** They are really sweet. How about the puppies?  
**Rowan:** Still working to find their forever homes. We hope that some wonderful people step up soon the take them into the loving arms of a perfect home.  
**Harley:** And I've learned that they have spay and neuter ap- pointments all set for this month.  
**Rowan:** Yes! And, of course, all ARF adoptees come fully vaccinated, micro chipped, heart worm tested, and spayed or neutered.  
**Marlowe:** In other words, they are good to go for at least the first year!  
**Rowan:** Anyone interested in meeting kittens and cats should stop by ARF on the weekend, or call to make an ap- pointment for during the week.  
**Eeyore:** And the puppies will be at Mt. Paws Pet Boutique again this Saturday, 11 until 2 (and maybe a bit later).

This week's Creature Corner is sponsored by Lois Shep- pard. Would you like to be a sponsor? Please let us know! Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of Days of our Nine Lives each week. And please stop in to say hello to the en- tire adoptable cast at the ARF House, 26890 Hwy 243. ARF is open Saturdays 10-3, Sundays 10-2, and during the week by appointment. Please call 951-659-1122.



75 years ago - 1950

In order to share re- sponsibility for Town Hall, various organi- zations were planning to put on benefits for upkeep of the commu- nity building.

70 years ago - 1955

Fire Chief Bill Price reported that 13 fire alarms, of which six required no action, had been answered in the previous year.

65 years ago - 1960

It was announced that Mt. San Jacinto State Park was included in Gov. Edmund G. Brown's proposed state budget that called for appropria- tion of \$93,000 to be used to acquire land in the Stone Creek area.

60 years ago - 1965

Los Angeles Times "Eating Out" colum- nist Ray Ryon was among a party of gourmets who dined at the Tirol.

55 years ago - 1970

Heralded by the Town Crier as a "sign of growth," it was an- nounced that Idyllwild had its first sanita- tion engineer, Wilson Smith, employed by the Idyllwild Coun- ty Water District. The treatment facility was located on then USC-ISOMATA (now Idyllwild Arts) cam- pus.

50 years ago - 1975

Loggers started clear- ing the land behind the former post of- fice to make way for the shopping center planned along Straw- berry Creek.

45 years ago - 1980

Desert Sun School's student musical tour- ing company, which had been presenting "Godspell" through- out California and

Nevada, returned to Idyllwild to perform for the local commu- nity.

40 years ago - 1985

The Hill was buried in snow, but plans were being made for a summer celebration to mark the 50th anni- versary of the Mt. San Jacinto State Park on June 19.

35 years ago - 1990

Josh Bischof, 12, of Mountain Center won two gold medals at the Junior National Cham- pionship Luge Race at Lake Placid, N.Y.

30 years ago - 1995

Parents, teachers and administrators at Idyllwild School were finalizing plans for a fund-raising cam- paign to provide the school's playground with new equipment. At the time, the play- ground had only one swing set.

25 years ago - 2000

After standing vacant for about a year, the

Paradise Corner Cafe reopened its doors at the corner of high- ways 74 and 371 in Garner Valley.

20 years ago - 2005

Idyllwild School eighth-grader Max Connif placed second in the Hemet Unified School District Spell- ing Bee for the second time in three years.

15 years ago - 2010

The Hemet Unified School District had a projected fiscal 2010- 11 budget deficit of about \$19.7 million. HUSD negotiators said a 7-percent salary reduction across the board would reduce the deficit by more than half.

11 year ago - 2014

On Monday, Feb. 3, Robert Garcia, owner of La Casita Restau- rant located at 54650 N. Circle Dr., discov- ered that one of the deer that was part of the "Deer Sightings" project had been sto- len.



Throwing a Super Bowl Party is a tradition at the American Legion Post 800 as seen in this February 1999 photo. FILE PHOTO

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25860 Highway 243, Pastor Jeff Giampa  
A Family Friendly Bible Based Fellowship  
Sunday Worship & Nursery Care 9-10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship, Nursery & Sunday School, 10:45-11:45 a.m.  
Mid-week Bible Studies & Youth Groups  
Call Church Office for Information, 951-659-4775

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

Queen of Angels Roman Catholic Church  
54525 N. Circle Dr., P.O. Box 1106, Idyllwild, CA  
Father Charles E. Miller  
Mass Schedule: Sun. 10 a.m.  
Confession: by appt. 951-659-2708

St. Hugh's Episcopal Church  
Sunday Services 10 AM  
Phone (951) 659-4471 • www.sthughsidyllwild.org  
25525 Tahquitz Dr.

Shiloh Christian Ministries  
54295 Village Center Drive  
Pastors Wayne & LaDonna Sleme  
Sunday Service - 10 am  
951.659.2416

Idyllwild Community Church  
54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935  
www.icpchurch.net  
Sunday Worship ~ 9:30 a.m. • Rev. Dr. Robert Mitchell  
Celebration: 5th grade & under during worship ~ Child care available  
Tuesday: Men's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. - Wednesday: Women's Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.



ARF adoptions at Mountain Paws on Saturday.

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# The Hangout

**WELCOME SOUL FAMILIES!**

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**MOM TIME**

INTUITION GROUP

GAME SHOW FUN

TRIVIA GAMES

MYSTERY SOLVING

SOCIAL GAMES  
ROLE PLAY

LETTER/NUMBER GAMES

PUZZLES RACES

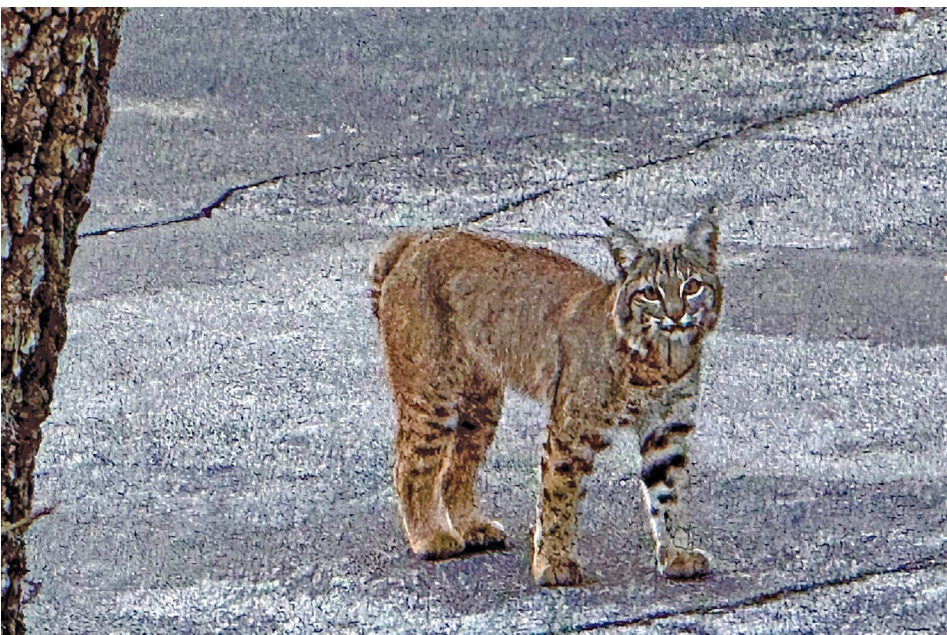
CARDS

**AFTER SCHOOL GROUPS**

OR PLAN PARTIES/ MEETINGS

**AT THE HANGOUT**

**54585 N. CIRCLE DR.**



Bob Cat

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## Weekly SUDOKU

9	6			4		2	5	
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Moderate    ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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### King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Beansies

5 Enfold

9 Stanley Cup org.

12 Luau dance

13 Roof overhang

14 Parisian "yes"

15 Pedestal occupant

16 Sketch

17 Trio after Q

18 Church organ feature

19 Retrieve

20 Bogus

21 Canonized Fr. woman

23 Soul, to Sartre

25 "Fantasia" ballerinas

28 Esteem

32 Commence

33 Biblical king

34 Gave a speech

36 Sipping aids

37 Weep

38 Spigot

39 "Holy cow!"

42 Away from SSW

44 Foot fraction

48 Flight stat

49 "Misery" star James

50 Olympian Lipinski

51 Altar promise

52 Bullets

53 Family

54 Fresh

55 Low digits

56 Warmonger

**DOWN**

1 Poker token

2 BMW rival

3 Fall into a chair

4 Merchant's spiel

5 Hunks of cheese

6 Exceptional

7 Online icon

8 Church seat

9 Director

10 Corn cover

11 Low-calorie

20 Frenzied state

22 Photocopier need

24 Maestro Zubin —

25 "Westworld" network

26 Suffix with hotel

27 Links org.

29 Notable time

30 Tier

31 Mag. staff

35 Energetic person

36 Shorthand pros

39 Profit

40 Shoppe description

41 Pack cargo

43 Handle

45 "The Lion King" lion

46 Gullet

47 Slugger Aaron

49 Purring pet

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Answers to puzzles found on B4

## MAGIC MAZE ● — THINGS

P U R O L I E B Y V S Q N K H

E B Y W T R O L J G E B Y W U

G R P N G K I G D B Z X V S Q

I N S I G N I F I C A N T O M

Y K I I M G I O O E C A Y W F

U L L V S E Q E P Y N L N J O

H F H A I B R M E E A C I A K

Y X V T E L U E S S Q W C P C

N M K S R R J H H H O F E E I

C B T A Z A U C Y T X H V H H

U T R L F O E S R U O C T Q T

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

Unlisted clue hint: JUST ONE OF — THINGS

Best Course of Earthly Insignificant

Last Living Mere Nice

Other Real Scheme of Seeing

Sure The way of Thick of

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## HOROSCOPES

February 2025 — Week 1

ARIES

**March 21 – April 19**

A long-forgotten promise is recalled. It's not too late to follow up on it. You might find a pleasant surprise waiting. Meanwhile, see a doctor about a pesky health problem.

TAURUS

**April 20 – May 20**

The best way to get over a personal disappointment is to get out, meet old friends, and make new ones! One of those new friends could very well become a special person in your life.

GEMINI

**May 21 – June 21**

A chance to invest comes with some strings attached that could cause economic problems later on. Be careful. Cupid favors romantic possibilities with a loving Libra or a passionate Pisces.

CANCER

**June 22 – July 22**

A simple problem threatens to turn into a legal showdown unless it's cleared up soon. Wishing it away won't help. In addition, a telephone call could lead to a change in travel plans.

LEO

**July 23 – August 22**

A close friend who suddenly becomes remote is in need of your warm reassurance. Give it generously. Meanwhile, a misunderstanding on the job creates the potential for future problems. Settle it quickly.

VIRGO

**August 23 – September 22**

Career advancement involves the need for added training. The investment of your time and effort will pay off. In other news, some stormy personal situations begin to calm down.

LIBRA

**September 23 – October 22**

Scale back on your grandiose schemes for a while. Neither the time nor the circumstances are right to make the huge financial investment needed to see the matter through. A Gemini has romance on the mind.

SCORPIO

**October 23 – November 21**

You could soon face a fascinating dilemma: Do you continue seeing a very special person who is currently in your life or renew a relationship with another person who will suddenly return from your past?

SAGITTARIUS

**November 22 – December 21**

Financial problems need your attention. It's a good idea to cut back on unnecessary expenses until these money matters are under control. Then go out and have a great time!

CAPRICORN

**December 22 – January 19**

What you may now see as a good reason to end a relationship could turn out to be based more on supposition than substance. Don't make any rash decisions.

AQUARIUS

**January 20 – February 18**

Change is the watchword for this week. Some Aquarians will be moving to new places while others will be taking new career paths. Steer clear of a family dispute.

PISCES

**February 19 – March 20**

Be prepared for a romantic disappointment to become a fading memory with the arrival of a new love -- possibly a Gemini. Meanwhile, talk to someone you trust about developing your idea into a marketable product.

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