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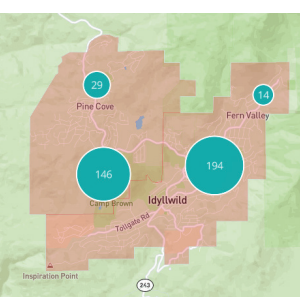
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## STR certificate application period opens: 100 available

By JPCRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

Riverside County's Planning Department announced that it will be accepting applications for Short-Term Rental certificates in the Idyllwild area next month, which is required before advertising to rent for any STR. Nearly 100 certificates may be available through the process.

The actual application will be available September 22 on the Planning Department's website, "planning.rctlma.org/short-term-rental-program."

The application process will be open from Monday, September 22 through midnight, Wednesday, October 22. This is the second Tier 2 application process for Idyllwild.

According to Felisa Cardona, the Planning Department public information officer, "The Idyllwild area currently has approximately 100 certificates available." That is nearly 20 percent of the total cap of 500 STR certificates for Hill.

If the number of new STR certificate applicants brings the total to more than 500, the County will use a lottery process to grant the new certificates. Otherwise, as long as the applicant meets the requirements, including the ability to collect the Transient Occupancy Tax, the County will award certificates to eligible applicants.

The large number of possible certificates is the result of non-renewals, voluntary closures, and property sales.

"No certificates in these areas have been revoked" as of August 26, Cardona wrote in an email to the Town Crier. Procedurally, County staff will notify STR operators at 60-days and then again at 30-days before the certificate is due to expire. Immediately upon expiration, the County provides one final notification for renewal to ensure the operator is provided sufficient opportunities. STR certificates do not run with the land. Meaning, if the property changes ownership, the STR certificate becomes null and void.

"Short Term Rental operators don't renew their certificates for a number of reasons, and this is not exclusive to Idyllwild, it happens Countywide," said John Hildebrand, director of the Planning Department. "Ownership changes is one of the reasons we are experiencing non-renewals. Some operators run an STR on a limited basis to supplement their income but ultimately decide not to renew the certificate, as they no longer have an interest in this type of business. We've also experienced operators not renewing their certificate, citing liability and insurance issues. Homeowners simply do not want the extra 'headache' of transient occupancy and the potential for property damages or disruptive renters."

Sometime later in 2025 the Department will provide the Board of Supervisors with an update on implementation and enforcement of the County's Ordinance 927.2, "Regulating Short Term Rentals"

Before the presentation to the Board, Cardona said there will be "... outreach to communities, including Idyllwild."

For any additional assistance with an STR application, please email TLMA-STR@rivco.org. For more information about the County STR process, please see Ordinance 927.2 (rivcocob.org/sites/g/files/aldnop311/files/2023-12/927.2.pdf?ref=writing.strisker.com).



Rain on Tuesday September 2 rased the creek as seen from under the Village Center Drive Bridge

PHOTO BY DAVID JEROME

## Upcoming Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting a chance to meet agencies responsible for fire safety

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

The next Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting will be Wednesday, September 10, at 10 a.m., at the Idyllwild Nature Center. This is the best opportunity for citizens to learn what local, state and federal agencies are doing to prevent and prepare for wildfire, and what they can do to help.

Depending on how busy the day is for firefighters, the meetings usually include briefings from Idyllwild Fire Protection District, Cal Fire, and the United States Forest Service. These agencies all have extensive presence on the Hill and work together to maintain and extend a network of fuel breaks around our communities. State and Forest Service Rangers are usually in attendance. Riverside County Sheriff's Office also participates, as they are responsible for evacuations during wildfires, and the County Emergency Management Department has in the past explained their role, and encouraged residents to sign up for evacuation updates through two programs: RivCoready.org and protect.Genasys.com.

Local nonprofits also send representatives and may provide briefings. This usually includes Mile High Radio Club, Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council, Mountain Disaster Preparedness, the Red Cross, and Idyllwild Rotary Club

These quarterly events are the primary public forum for local emergency awareness. Public attendance has been sparse after the return to live meetings following Covid, but the June meeting included a more freewheeling conversation about the big picture in our state and the challenges, natural and bureaucratic, that foresters and firefighters face.

Public questions are invited, and if more involved may be submitted in advance to Leighanne.Calacuayo@fire.ca.gov.

September MAST Meeting, 10 a.m. Wednesday September 10, Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243. Sign up for evacuation alerts at: RivCoReady.org. Down load the app for address-specific evacuation warnings and orders at: protect.Genasys.com

Public Meeting - Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Please join us at our upcoming MAST meeting. Emergency Response Agencies will be providing updates and answering general questions and concerns. Other stakeholder representatives will have an opportunity to give updates as time allows.

Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: Idyllwild Nature Center  
25225 Highway 243  
Idyllwild, CA 92549

The last meeting for this year will be held on 12/10/25

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# Republicans propose to slice California into two states to avoid redistricting

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

Last week, state Republicans continued to challenge the legality of Proposition 50 (Redistricting) and then proposed a separate response to it.

On Monday, Aug. 25, they submitted an appeal to the State Supreme Court to remove the proposition from the November ballot. Two days later, the Court rejected the petition.

The filing argued that the Legislature violated the state constitution in its rush to approve the proposed State constitutional amendment and accompanying bills. If the amendment is approved it would replace Congressional districts created and approved in 2021 by the independent Citizens Redistricting Commission with districts created by the Democratic Committee.

In their filing, they contend these actions violate multiple provisions of the state constitution, including the "once per decade" redistricting rule, the single-subject requirement for ballot measures, and the mandate for a 30-day public review period before new legislation can be acted upon.

Republicans, Assemblyman Tri Ta, Senator Tony Strickland, Assemblywoman Kathryn Sanchez, Senator Suzette Valladares, congressional candidate Eric Ching, initiated the court challenge.

"We created the Citizens Commission to stop back-room deals. Instead, Sacramento is forcing Californians into a predetermined election with no transparency, no hearings, and no public input. That's not democracy — that's authoritarianism, and I'll fight it every step of the way," Sen. Strickland said in a press release, and added,

"[the plan is] a shining example of why the people took back redistricting in the first place."

Also on Wednesday, Aug. 27, Republican Assembly leader, Jeff Gallagher, announced his proposal to divide California into two states. (see accompanying map).

"The people of inland California have been overlooked for too long," Gallagher said in his press release. "It's time for a two state solution."

Rather than the usual proposed split between northern and southern California, Gallagher's Assembly Joint Resolution 23 would separate 35 inland counties from the coastal counties. This new state would include more than 10 million people and still be among the top ten most populous states in the U.S. However, this is only about a quarter of the State's current population.

Riverside and San Bernardino counties would be part of the inland state.

He argued this is necessary because the proposed redistricting would "... silence rural voices and rig the political system against them forever."

"I have come to see that the only way we can obtain proper attention is by pursuing our own statehood. With this measure, we will begin the first step of that process," he said. "We will not be subject to a state that deprives us of a fair voice."

"Gavin, let my people go," Gallagher added to his statement.

To establish the 51st state, the idea would have to be approved by both houses of the state legislature and then Congress would also have to vote for the formation of a new state.



MAP CREDIT ASSEMBLYMAN JAMES GALLAGHER PRESS RELEASE

# Monsoonal rain damps heat wave

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

The anticipated heat wave warmed Southern California a week ago, but few high temperature records were set. Rather a monsoonal weather pattern emerged that weekend, which helped cool mountain residents, and continued into the next week. While it has passed, it is expected to return later this week. That will help vegetation recover some moisture since spring and summer have been so dry.

Saturday's National Weather Service forecast said, "Monsoonal moisture will increase again for Tuesday through the end of next week, with increasing chances for storms to return to the mountains and deserts."

During the brief heat wave, a few areas did record 100 degrees or greater records. On Aug. 22, San Jacinto reached 107 degrees. The day before it was 110 in Escondido.

Idyllwild did set some high records according to the National Weather Service; but these were for nighttime rather than daytime highs. The low temperatures of 65 degrees on Aug. 22 and 63 degrees on Aug. 23 were the highest minimums recorded for those dates.

In Idyllwild, the NWS reported record high temperatures for Aug. 7 and 8. However, this was not the first hot August. The 95 degrees reached on Aug. 7 exceeded the 94 degrees reached 13 years ago. The 96 degrees the next day tied the record high set in 2018.

In the opposite direction, the high temperature on Aug. 28 was 70 degrees, that is the lowest "High Temperature" since 73 degrees in 1953.

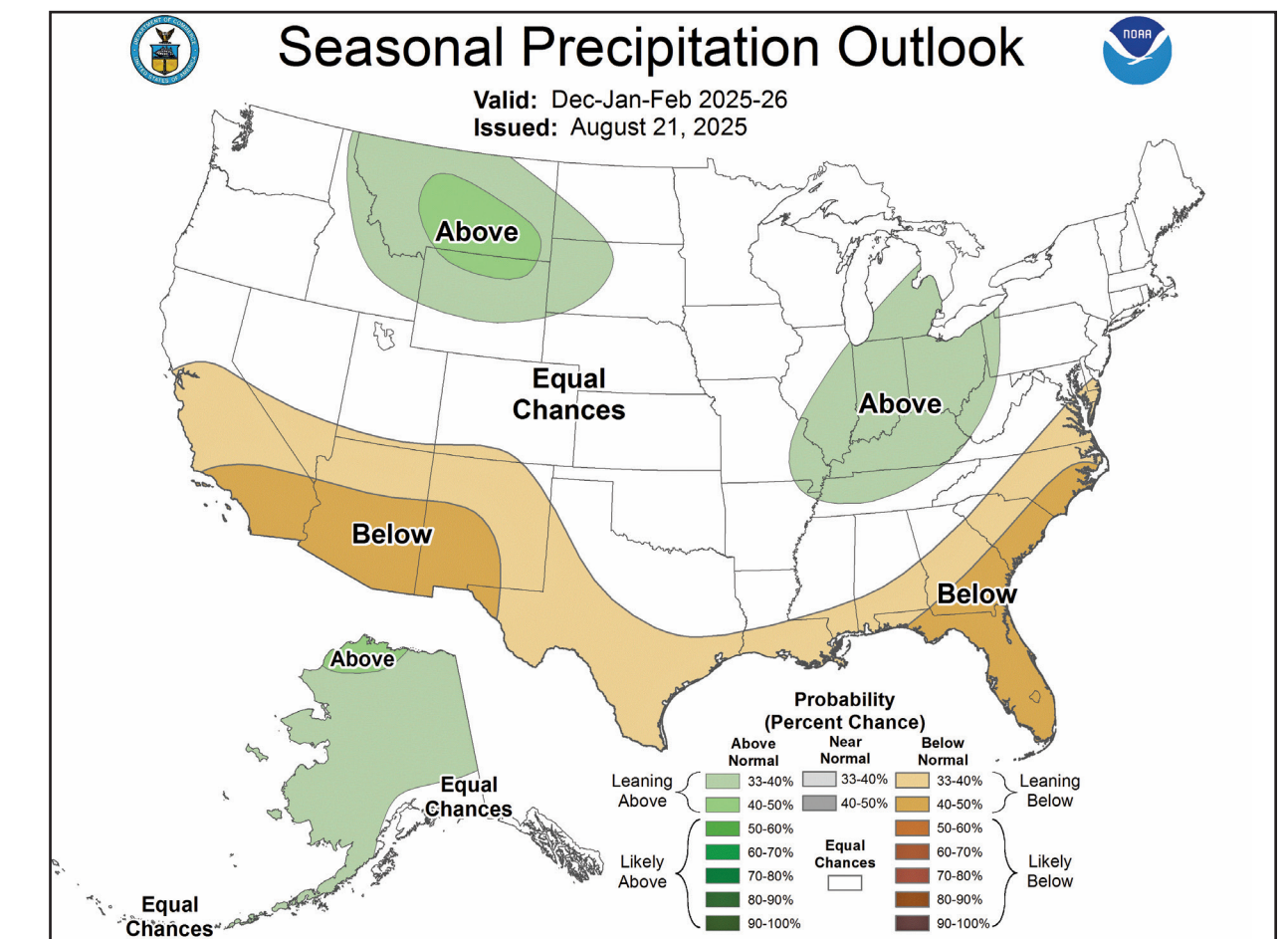
The late summer monsoonal rains finally arrived on Aug. 23. The NWS recorded an inch of rain at the Mt. San Jacinto Peak. The northern areas, such as Vista Grande and Snow Creek, received nearly two-thirds of an inch. But rainfall in the southern Hill areas was closer to a quarter inch or less.

For the year, the Hill remains significantly below average rainfall of 25.7 inches. The Idyllwild Fire Department has recorded just 8 inches of rain since Oct. 1, 2024 when the "Rain Year" begins. The Forest Service's Keenwild Ranger Station has collected 9.3 inches, while Pine Cove has received the least rainfall — 7.9 inches. All of these areas have benefited from less than 35 percent of the long-term annual average rainfall.

Looking forward the NWS's Climate Prediction Center announced on August 14 that La Niña weather conditions may be returning.

The current neutral conditions are expected to yield to La Niña sometime this fall, but the NWS forecast did not provide strong guidance on when to expect the shift in conditions. The NWS odds of La Niña are only 56 percent.

"Thereafter, a brief period of La Niña conditions is favored in the fall and early winter 2025-26 before reverting to ENSO-neutral," the NWS reported in its El Niño/Southern Oscillation Diagnostic Discussion, which the Climate Prediction Center issued earlier this



month. A La Niña period may exacerbate the extreme dryness. The eastern Pacific Ocean near the equator will have cooler than average sea surface temperatures. This effect tends to bring drier than normal conditions to Southern California

According to Dr. Daniel Swain, a climate scientist with joint appointments as a climate scientist within the California Institute for Water Resources within University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources, the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability at UCLA, and as a research partner at the National Science Foundation's National Center for Atmospheric Research, wildfire risk will be spiking.

"The main risk will be a combination of exceptional vegetation dryness and fuel loading in some mountain/desert parts of SoCal (a legacy of a failed-thus-far monsoon, very dry winter/spring preceding, and the wet-dry hydroclimate whiplash event ... from 2024 into 2025, respectively)," Swain wrote last week.

"We last saw this set-up in September 2024, and that event yielded both record-breaking temperatures and multiple destructive wildfires throughout SoCal," he alerted readers.

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## Idyllwild Weather

Day	High / Low	Conditions
Wednesday 9/3	79 °F / 66 °F	Partly sunny; afternoon thunders possible
Thursday 9/4	83 °F / 65 °F	Mostly sunny; afternoon thunder possible
Friday 9/5	81 °F / 64 °F	Mostly sunny
Saturday 9/6	81 °F / 61 °F	Plenty of sun
Sunday 9/7	83 °F / 51 °F	Plenty of sunshine
Monday 9/8	82 °F / 50 °F	Plenty of sunshine
Tuesday 9/9	83 °F / 49 °F	Plenty of sunshine

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Mostly sunny with highs in the low 80s; a chance of thunderstorms midweek before cooler, clear nights return by the weekend.

## Helping Hearts On the Hill and Ferro send weekly meals to housebound locals

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

*It's a way for them check in on some housebound seniors, and other folks that maybe have had an accident, or just had a baby, anything like that.*

Helping Hearts on the Hill is an all-volunteer group that has been delivering meals to local seniors and others weekly since 2020. Lori Ferro, of Ferro Restaurant, described the program to Town Crier videographer Justin Holmes this last week.

"We started during Covid. We cook food for just under 50 folks that are housebound in our community. We have delivery drivers that show up about noon, that pick up the meals and take them to their designated routes. It's a way for them check in on some housebound seniors, and other folks that maybe have had an accident, or just had a baby, anything like that."

Lori has been following a special Monday routine for five years now. "I show up around 9:30 and I have everything done and boxed by 11:30. Whatever I feel like making, I prepare a few days ahead, get the proteins ordered. I try to rotate proteins—chicken, some kind of seafood, beef or pork—so it never gets boring. All the food comes from Ferro, we order it."

The program is free, with recipients who are able giving \$5, and a few philanthropists contributing. "We do get donations, there have been some generous folks that donate monthly, folks that are recipients of the meals, they'll give \$5, it's not required but if they can afford to do so we ask them to do that. The meals I prepare cost a little more than that to prepare."

The meals are delivered by volunteers who, driving a weekly route, get to know recipients. "We have six drivers right now, some are couples who do it together, six routes. Lake Hemet to Mountain Center to Pine Cove."

Sarah Oates, one of the volunteer drivers, talked about that experience. "One of the people that I do is almost 101, she's amazing. I also do some people that have just had a new baby, and a gal who was burned recently. It's a variety of people. Some have had hospital-

izations and they are recovering. Not everybody is long term... Its a wonderful experience, it helps the community and it helps us feel good about what we do for the community, and we're very happy about it."

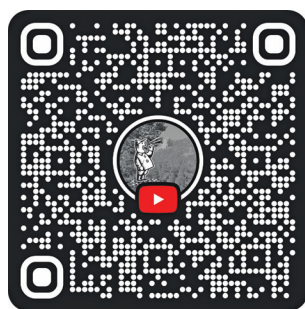
Oates notes that the group has criteria for recipients. In order to focus on those with the greatest need, they look for very low income, disability including dementia, age, or temporary need after an accident or hospitalization.

Eric Tracy of the Idyllwild Rotary Club wrote to the Town Crier about Frank and Lori's work. "For the Ferro's, every meal symbolizes a message of love and dignity. Their efforts have provided comfort and solace to many, including senior residents who shared that these lunches are a weekly reminder that they are cared for and not forgotten." Tracy noted that the Idyllwild Rotary Club Charitable Fund had contributed \$250 to the project. "Actions like theirs make all the difference,"

Caitlin Mathey coined the name "Helping Hearts on the Hill." Mathey has since moved out of state. In a phone conversation with the Town Crier, she filled in some of the origin story of the program. "Debbie Daniels had started Idy's Helping Hands, she was moving and folding" the nonprofit organization. She asked Mathey if she would take it on, and Mathey reached out to Sarah Oates, "the three of us joined forces." At first meals came from the Red Kettle and Tommy's. "I'm happy to hear that Lori and Sarah have taken the reins and it is still thriving, and a lot of the original delivery volunteers are still there."

The group has a Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/idyllwildhelpinghearts/> To sign up, contribute or volunteer text: (951) 236-7637.

To see Town Crier's video interview with Lori Ferro and Sarah Oates, visit the Town Crier YouTube Channel, [YouTube.com/@TownCrier-IDY](https://www.youtube.com/@TownCrier-IDY)



## Raptor ecologists and caretakers to bring hawks to Nature Center for Falconry talk

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

The Idyllwild Nature Center will be hosting a presentation on Falconry, the ancient practice of hunting with birds of prey, on Saturday, September 6, at 11 a.m. Two Raptor ecologists and caretakers will be bringing their feathered friends with them.

Jamie Lessie and Derrick Thrasher promise "an unforgettable, raptor-filled experience where hawks and falcons take center stage! Witness these magnificent birds up close as we explore the history and evolution of falconry—an ancient practice that bridges wildlife, culture, and conservation."

Lessie and Thrasher will share insights into raptor behavior, ecology, and the important role falconry can play in conservation efforts today. Come for a deeper understanding of these incredible birds and the ecosystems they inhabit.

There will be an open Q&A session—followed by a chance to capture memorable photos with the "feathered ambassadors."

Falconry: The Ancient Art of Hunting with Raptors, Saturday, September 6, Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243.

## County's Rentalscape portal provides list and map of licensed STRs

By DAVID JEROME  
CORRESPONDENT

The county's long-promised public portal to Short Term Rental information is up and running. The webpage, called "Rentalscape," is managed by Deckard Technologies, the contractor for much of the new STR process.

Citizens can look at local STRs, either as a map or list. The map can be zoomed in to show the location of each building within lot lines.

At first sight the map shows a circle that encompasses both Idyllwild, the Coachella Valley, and the Temecula Wine Country, with the number 1022, the total number of STRs registered in the three places. Two are in Blythe. As you zoom in, the two areas separate into smaller circles, and eventually each property shows lot lines. Clicking on an individual STR gives the address, and the name, phone number and email for the responsible party.

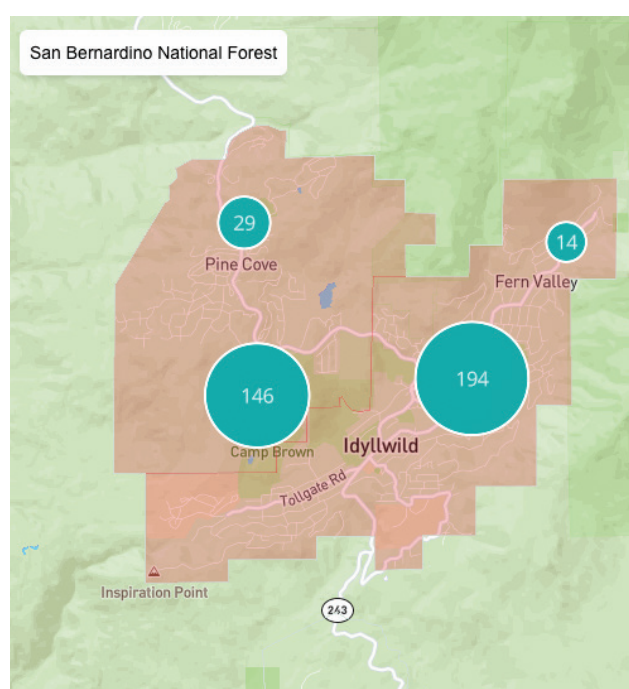
The information can also be accessed as a list which can be searched by address or license number. You can click "download all" to have a searchable list.

At first impression it is easy to use, with a few caveats. As you zoom in on the map, large circles with hundreds or dozens of licenses divide into smaller circles with smaller numbers, and sometimes it is hard to find where the licenses have all gone because they have exited the field of view. When searching with the map, it is easiest to read the information on a license if you first move the view so that the circle is close to the bottom of your screen. Otherwise the window will be cut off.

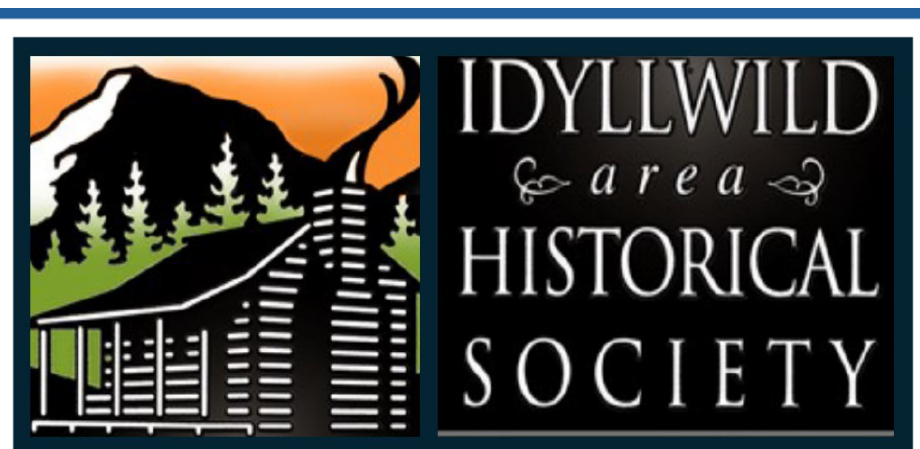
The Town Crier spotted one error: an STR is shown on the map on Tahquitz View Drive, but when clicked, the address is given as Tahquitz Drive, and this is how it is included on the list.

The map can be searched by address only, the list by license or address. Downloaded, the list can be searched also by responsible party.

<https://str-public-portal.deckard.com/?place=riverside-ca>



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By Steven Morrison, M.A.

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**Dear Spiritual Workout:**

I am scared to death of abandonment. There's trauma from my past, I think, that is making this such a huge issue for me. When my boyfriend goes out I get afraid that he won't come back. I have a good job at a small company but I'm always afraid I'm going to get fired. Every time I visit with my sister, who I love, I think she's going to cancel or be mad at me about something. Friends say I really have a good life and shouldn't be afraid of so much but I can't help it. How can I let go of fear that paralyzes me and hurts my relationships?

Dear Reader:

The way to let go of paralyzing fear is much easier than people think — unless one believes that fear like this is a part of life and has to be “managed.” But if you believe, as we do, that fear like this is something that can be eliminated from one's life, a guaranteed way to eliminate it is to identify the belief(s) you have that are creating the feeling of fear. That's because fear is not a thing in and of itself; fear is the emotional result of thinking certain thoughts and believing certain things. Then, of course, you'd be about the business of changing those beliefs. SW is good at helping people identify beliefs (“I didn't know I believed that” is a familiar refrain) and is also extremely good at demonstrating some ways to transmute/transform/alchemize them into beliefs that actually serve. There's more to all of this, of course, like articulating and cultivating intention/what's desired, but this is for sure the way to begin and I hope you will.

**Dear Spiritual Workout:**

I have a sibling that is a thorn in my side and always has been. Our family is close and no contact isn't an option for either of us, but we're in our late twenties and our relationship seems like it's just a vicious cycle of dysfunction. Can you help?

Dear Reader:

There is a particular SW lens that might offer, at least, a perspective shift. It is the concept/belief that we are here for a reason. That means, on a soul level, it is not an accident that you are in this dynamic with your sibling, likely a relationship that has spanned lifetimes. Further, it would help to practice presence by accepting the relationship as it is, without resistance, without judgment...and proceeding from there. Then, ask your Self what you know about your Self and/or what you know about Life and the way things work that you might not otherwise know if not for this relationship. Also, ask your Self who you might “have to be” or what muscle or trait you might want to grow or develop in order to navigate to a more satisfying relationship with your sibling. These questions flow from believing that there are no accidents and that there is soul-level purpose for everything we ever experience and may help you understand some of what this relationship is about...for you.

Dear Reader

Send your questions to [dearspiritualworkout@spiritualworkout.com](mailto:dearspiritualworkout@spiritualworkout.com). (Confidentiality assured.) When you're ready for more, find cutting-edge counseling Spiritual Workout-style for \$50/month at [spiritualworkout.com](http://spiritualworkout.com).

Idyllwild Arts public-address system gives Shakespeare a headache

DEAR EDITOR:

A quote from William Shakespeare hung for decades outside Bowman theater at Idyllwild Arts. It read: “Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music creep in our ears. Soft stillness and the night become the touches of sweet harmony.”

We represent thirteen households on Idyllmont Road and Middle Ridge Drive who feel that the school has drifted more than a bit from the great writer's vision. We are all neighbors of Idyllwild Arts and among us are newcomers to the Hill as well as multiple generations of Idyllwild Arts students, staff, Board Members, Trustees, and donors stretching back to the golden age of Max and Bea Krone.

The sound of a clarinetist practicing atop the boulders in the meadow and wafting through the trees and around our homes is indeed a pure joy.

Unfortunately, in recent years, stadium-level amplification at Idyllwild Arts has added intense electrified music and assorted administrative announcements over outdoor public-address systems to the mix. The sound rattles through our homes' closed doors and windows, often until 10 in the evening. A recent three-day “techno-fest” was marked by almost constant outdoor amplified music. At other times we have been treated to every word of camp counselors barking orders at student groups via megaphone.

Several of us have asked for the volume to be lowered, only to receive dismissive responses or none at all. We understand that while Riverside County Ordinance No. 847 states that amplified audio should not be heard from 200 feet away from the source, there is a loophole for schools. In any case, our homes are 600 to 1,200 feet away from Husch Field where many of these events occur. We also have two reports of this noise nuisance impacting homes on Double View, which are at least 2,500 feet away as the crow flies.

It is disheartening that the school has ignored multiple appeals for moderation, neighborliness, and respect for our quiet enjoyment here in Idyllwild.

The saying goes: Just because one can do something doesn't mean that one should. We ask only for a return to sweet harmony.

Respectfully,

Dawn Sandhu Clinton and Stephen Clinton, Charles Fojtic, Cindy H, Steve Krikorian, Julia Ledesma, Karla and Bill Leopold, Robin and Evan Mills, Kristin N, Nancy Pearlman, Caroline Russell, Erna Tobak  
Two signatories elected not to publicize their names



Happy 109th Anniversary to National Park Service on August 25th!

DEAR EDITOR:

May I salute you on this 109th anniversary? I'm a card-carrying property owner and cherish our parks, monuments, historic sites and recreation areas. Thank you for making them available to us. For decades it has been my practice to express my gratitude to you law enforcement and interpretive rangers, maintenance and administrative personnel, volunteers and entry gate staff.

Yes, I am indeed one of those geeky tourons that stare with dislocated jaws at the canyons, geysers, hoodoos, mountain tops, caverns and battlefield cannons, but I swear I have never, ever, asked you where the nearest bathroom was. When I see the looks on the faces of the kids who you are leading in the Junior Ranger pledge, I cheer for you at least as much as I do for them. And, while I have been known to ask The Question you've known was coming during your excellent walks and talks, I assure you that I have never asked you a question that you knew I already knew the answer to.

By the way; how is it that you are always able to act like I'm the first person who ever asked those things? I do hope you remember the two things I've told you. First, THANK YOU. However poor a supplement to your “sunset pay” it is, please do remember my gratitude.

Second, I respectfully request that you continue your worthy, noble, and often courageous work for the sake of our grandkids. We are counting on you. Will you do that, please? I've been gifted by the friendship of several of your deceased, active duty, and retired fellow National Park Service employees and volunteers. Through them I've learned that you protect the parks from the people, the people from the parks, and the people from each other. When I have had this conversation with your people over the years your collective response looked like this: “Nobody has ever said that to me before.” Tears well up (theirs and mine).” I needed to hear that today. Well, this is what we do. It's all about your grandkids. I love this place.”

These days I'm particularly reminded of the restorative power inherent in our wonderful national properties and you folks who serve us in them, and I believe that we need them, need you. We need to know that they are there on the map, whether or not we have immediate plans or ability to get to them in the flesh.

I confess to violating the rule about taking only photographs and leaving only footprints. The fact is, the memories, sights, sounds (or lack of them) and smells have gone home with me and have become part of the geography of my life. If walking off with those treasures is a crime, I suppose that you Park people are abettors. May I salute you for being partners in it? Happy Anniversary! Remember those two things I told you. OK?

Steve Scarano

Vista

*(Editor's Note: Steve adds that he is a Former Eagle Scout and Marine Corps officer, police officer, 19-year PCT Trail Angel, and a 20-year volunteer Trail Patroller and Dust Devil with a large San Diego Regional Park.)*

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- The deadline is 10 a.m. Monday.

Headline on article on cost of redistricting misleading

DEAR EDITOR:

The title of your recent article, “Redistricting may cost Riverside County \$15 million,” presents a misleading and prejudicial view against California Proposition 50. As stated in the fifth paragraph of the article, Governor Newsom has publicly said that the state will reimburse counties for expenses related to Prop 50's implementation. Also, there is an obvious misstatement quoted in the article from the Republican Assembly leader that Governor Newsom wanted to “rig the maps for the next decade.” However, it is well known that the proposition expires in 2030, that's five years, not ten. The correspondent should have stated that.

Prop 50 is not just about redistricting—it's about defending Californians from Trump demanded gerrymandering in other states. It offers a proactive and temporary safeguard, allowing voters to neutralize unfair Congressional maps in red states. In a time when election integrity is under threat from the current administration, Prop 50 empowers Californians to stand up for democracy.

Patti Hudson  
Pine Cove

DEAR READER:

I agree the headline allowed a misleading statement to lead, and headlines are among an editor's responsibilities. Thank you for taking the time to read, think, and write.

The Editor

# Matter of Fact

Our story about the new Chair of the Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation had a photograph of Denis Krylov, but the caption had the name of the outgoing Chair, Jeff Dvorak. We regret the error



Denis Krylov



Jeff Dvorak

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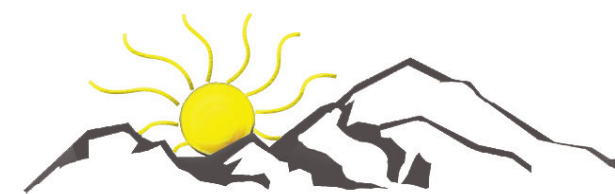
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# New Covid vaccines approved, no general public mandate for use

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

On Aug. 27, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved new vaccines for Covid. While these are aimed at the latest coronavirus strand circulating, they are no longer recommended for everyone.

This FDA approval is for adults over 65-years of age, or adults and children with an underlying medical condition, such as asthma, cancer, obesity and being immunocompromised.

"The emergency use authorizations for Covid vaccines, once used to justify broad mandates on the general public during the Biden administration, are now rescinded," Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert Kennedy, Jr. posted on X, formerly Twitter, making the announcement of the new approvals.

The FDA approved new vaccine boosters manufactured by Pfizer, Moderna and Novavax. The Pfizer and Moderna approval covers vaccines designed with mRNA that were updated to target the LP.8.1 variant, which represents nearly one-third of recent cases.

"This season's Pfizer and BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine will begin shipping immediately and be available in pharmacies, hospitals, and clinics across the U.S. in the coming days," the company said in its press release following the FDA announcement.

And Moderna said, "Moderna's updated vaccines are expected to be available in the coming days."

The shot from Novavax will be available in the early fall.

While shipping of the vaccines is beginning, their availability is still uncertain for most adults and children.

In his X posting, Kennedy stated, "These vaccines are available for all patients who choose them after consulting with their doctors." Thus, children and young adults may need to access the vaccine at or through their doctor's office.

The Moderna vaccine was approved for ages 6 months and older, Pfizer for those 5 years old and older, and Novavax for those 12 years old and older.

The American Academy of Pediatrics stated, "The AAP recommends all young children ages 6-23 months get vaccinated against COVID-19 along with older children in certain risk groups, based on evidence on who can benefit the most from the vaccine.

This includes "All children ages 6-23 months without a contraindication. [They] should get vaccinated with a 2025-'26 COVID vaccine formula regardless of whether they previously received any doses or have had a SARS-CoV-2 infection," the AAP policy affirmed in an Aug. 19 press release.

According to the AAP release, the rate of covid hospitalization for children under 2 years is the highest among pediatric age groups and for children ages 6-23 months, it is comparable to people ages 50-64 years. More than half of these young children hospitalized for covid did not have an underlying medical condition.

In the past, the vaccines were also readily available at local pharmacies, however some States, including California, limit this distribution to those recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention panel. This panel is not scheduled to meet for another three weeks.

According to CDC data, for the 2023-24 flu season, pharmacies or drug stores were the most common locations for flu and covid vaccines. Nearly 71.5 percent of adults received their covid shot at either a pharmacy or drug store.

Some health insurers also limit their coverage to vaccines approved by the panel.

As fall approaches, covid infections are growing across the country. On Aug. 29, the Centers for Disease Control stated, "As of August 19, 2025, we estimate that COVID-19 infections are growing or likely growing in 36 states." California was one of the states where covid infections are increasing.

The data for the week ending Aug. 25, also identified California as one of the states where positive covid tests are increasing.

The California Department of Public Health also says Covid is increasing, although hospitalizations and deaths remain low.

"COVID-19 activity is increasing steadily throughout California," the CDPH said on its website and its covid vaccine recommendation is "everyone 6 months and older to protect against severe illness, with an emphasis on protecting higher risk individuals, such as infants and toddlers, pregnant persons, older adults, and others with risks for serious disease."

"I promised 4 things: 1. to end covid vaccine mandates. 2. to keep vaccines available to people who want them, especially the vulnerable. 3. to demand placebo-controlled trials from companies. 4. to end the emergency. In a series of FDA actions today we accomplished all four goals," Kennedy proclaimed in his Aug. 27 X posting.

# NEWS OF RECORD

## Idyllwild Fire

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District responded to these calls from Sunday to Saturday, Aug. 25 to 31.

• Aug. 25 — EMS. Valley View

• Aug. 26 — EMS. Alderwood

• Aug. 26 — Wildland fire. Garnett

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• Aug. 26 — Public service assistance (water leak). Delano

• Aug. 27 — EMS. Lodge

• Aug. 29 — Public service assistance. STA 621

• Aug. 29 — EMS. North Circle

• Aug. 29 — EMS. Cougar

• Aug. 30 — EMS. Village Center

• Aug. 30 — EMS. Wildwood

• Aug. 31 — EMS. Rim Rock

• Aug. 31 — EMS. North Circle

• Aug. 31 — EMS. North Circle

## Sheriff's log

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

### === IDYLLWILD ===

-- Monday August 25, 2025 --

19:10:00 — FOLLOW-UP — ADDRESS WITHHELD

15:51:00 — VANDALISM — 2600 \*\*\* BLOCK DELANO DR

14:28:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE CREST AV

14:24:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE CREST AV

12:24:00 — PUBLIC ASSIST — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK NORTH CIRCLE DR

04:26:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK FOREST HAVEN DR

01:16:00 — SILENT ALARM — ADDRESS WITHHELD

-- Tuesday August 26, 2025 --

19:37:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK FOREST HAVEN DR

13:58:00 — CIVIL DISPUTE — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE CREST AV

11:31:00 — TRESPASSING — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK NORTH CIRCLE DR

-- Wednesday August 27, 2025 --

09:52:00 — TRESPASSING — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK NORTH CIRCLE DR

08:41:00 — VICIOUS DOG — 2600 \*\*\* BLOCK DELANO DR

07:09:00 — PROWLER — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK SOUTH CIRCLE DR

-- Thursday August 28, 2025 --

23:36:00 — PUBLIC DISTURBANCE — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

-- Friday August 29, 2025 --

17:36:00 — CHECK THE WELFARE — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK NORTH CIRCLE DR

14:17:00 — DISORIENTED SUBJECT — 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK ST HWY 243

12:40:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK FOREST HAVEN DR

12:23:00 — VICIOUS DOG — 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLMONT RD

10:34:00 — ALARM CALL — 5500 \*\*\* BLOCK FOREST HAVEN DR

-- Saturday August 30, 2025 --

14:46:00 — ANIMAL ABUSE — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

07:43:00 — HARRASSING PHONE CALLS — ADDRESS WITHHELD

-- Sunday August 31, 2025 --

19:17:00 — HARRASSING PHONE CALLS — ADDRESS WITHHELD

16:14:00 — MISCELLANEOUS CRIMINAL — 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK TAHQUITZ DR

13:17:00 — ANIMAL ABUSE — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

10:34:00 — CHECK THE WELFARE — 5300 \*\*\* BLOCK TOLL GATE RD

-- Monday September 01, 2025 --

18:57:00 — NOISE COMPLAINT — 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK TAHQUITZ RD

10:30:00 — ALARM CALL — 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK IDYLLMONT RD

00:42:00 — SUSPICIOUS PERSON — 5400 \*\*\* BLOCK VILLAGE VIEW DR

### === OLD BANN IDYLLWILD ===

-- Wednesday August 27, 2025 --

07:45:00 — VICIOUS DOG — 4600 \*\*\* BLOCK E PORTER ST

### === PINE COVE ===

-- Wednesday August 27, 2025 --

08:40:00 — VANDALISM — 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK ST HWY 243

-- Thursday August 28, 2025 --

12:53:00 — VEHICLE CODE VIOLATION — 5200 \*\*\* BLOCK PINE COVE RD

-- Saturday August 30, 2025 --

22:50:00 — UNLAWFUL ENTRY —

2500 \*\*\* BLOCK MARION RIDGE DR

13:39:00 — ALARM CALL — 5300 \*\*\* BLOCK MOUNTAIN VIEW DR

-- Sunday August 31, 2025 --

00:16:00 — NOISE COMPLAINT — 2500 \*\*\* BLOCK CASCADE DR

-- Monday September 01, 2025 --

23:59:00 — NOISE COMPLAINT — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

22:57:00 — PUBLIC DISTURBANCE — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

### === POPPET FLATS ===

-- Tuesday August 26, 2025 --

09:51:00 — PUBLIC DISTURBANCE — 4900 \*\*\* BLOCK ORCHARD RD

-- Wednesday August 27, 2025 --

14:05:00 — PUBLIC ASSIST — 4900 \*\*\* BLOCK ORCHARD RD

09:33:00 — PUBLIC DISTURBANCE — 1900 \*\*\* BLOCK WILLOW ST

-- Friday August 29, 2025 --

14:04:00 — ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT — 2200 \*\*\* BLOCK SOBOBA RD

-- Sunday August 31, 2025 --

20:14:00 — ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

### === SAN BERDO NAT FORS ===

-- Wednesday August 27, 2025 --

20:43:00 — UNKNOWN TROUBLE — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

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16:30:00 — ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

14:42:00 — UNKNOWN TROUBLE — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

-- Friday August 29, 2025 --

15:43:00 — DANGER TO SELF/ OTHER — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

14:22:00 — DANGER TO SELF/ OTHER — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

-- Saturday August 30, 2025 --

17:06:00 — 911 CALL FROM BUSINESS — 5600 \*\*\* BLOCK E ST HWY 74

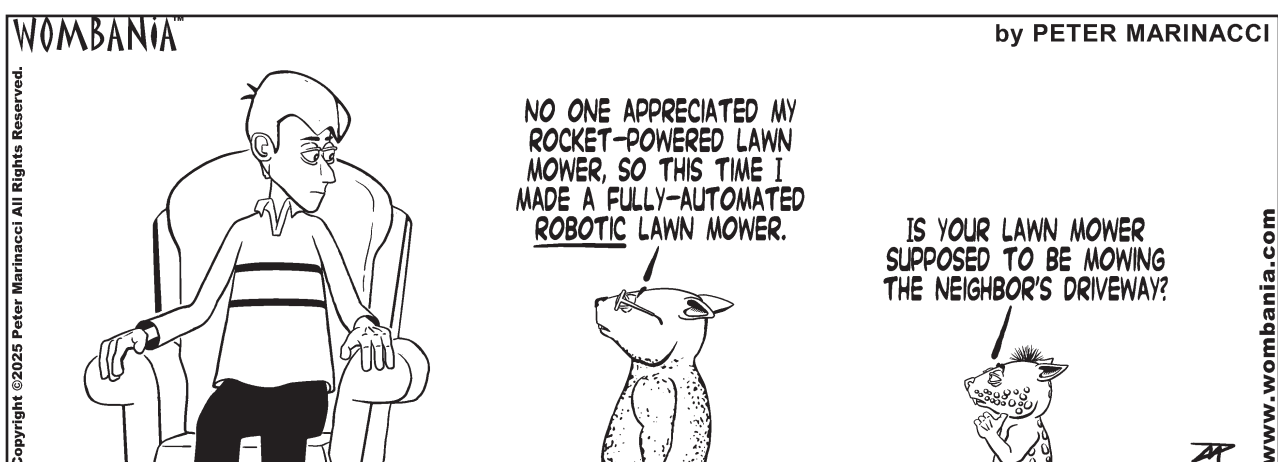
-- Monday September 01, 2025 --

17:07:00 — PUBLIC ASSIST — ADDRESS UNDEFINED

### === TWIN PINES ===

-- Monday August 25, 2025 --

20:56:00 — UNATTENDED DEATH — ADDRESS WITHHELD



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# California to continue efforts to increase ZEV use

By JP CRUMRINE  
CORRESPONDENT

Although the Trump Administration and Republican Congress are revoking California's rules to replace gasoline fueled vehicles with zero-emission vehicles, the State is not deferring to the new federal direction.

"Clean air efforts are under siege, putting the health of every American at risk," said Liane Randolph, chair of the California Air Resources Board (CARB), on a press call on Aug. 19. "California is continuing to fight back and will not give up on cleaner air and better public health — we have a legal and moral obligation."

In June, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed an executive order to continue to advance California's clean vehicle policies. Not only did it reaffirm the State's commitment to ZEV deployment, it directed State agencies to assess additional actions for ZEV adoption, including strategies for consumer protection, infrastructure, voluntary efforts, and local partnerships, and to issue recommendations within 60 days.

On Aug. 19, seven State agencies -- California Air Resources Board, California Energy Commission, California Public Utilities Commission, Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, California State Transportation Agency, and the Department of Consumer Affairs — submitted a seven-page report to the Governor.

The recommendations are organized into six categories — private investment, incentives, infrastructure, fuel pricing, regulations, and procurement — and reflect near-term actions as well as longer term policies. Finding additional state funds will be the critical step in their implementation and success.

Although much progress has been made to improve California's air quality, more will be needed. According to the report, the average new car produces less than 1 percent of the smog-forming pollution compared to cars from the 1970s.

Nevertheless, according to the American Lung Association's most recent assessment of air pollution, five of the worst ten cities in the U.S are in California. These include Los Angeles and Long Beach, Bakersfield, Fresno, and the San Diego to Escondido areas. And Sacramento is the 11th worst city.

ZEVs are critical if the State intends to continue its past success to improve air quality. According to Veloz, nearly two million ZEVs were sold in California in the past four years. In both 2023 and 2024, 440,000 were sold in the State. Another 200,000 were sold in 2025. California represents about 35 percent of total U.S. ZEV sales.

As with any purchase of an item, its cost matters. The State had been offering rebates to ZEV purchasers until 2023. The rebates for battery-powered cars varied from \$7,500 for lower-income households to \$2,000 for higher incomes.

However, a federal tax credit of up to \$7,500 for new EV purchases is scheduled to end. A section of the "One Big Beautiful Bill," which Trump signed into law in July, will end these federal tax credits on Sept. 30.

In addition, Congress passed legislation to revoke

*"Roughly a third of the country breathes cleaner air protected by our stronger standards," wrote Earthjustice lawyer Adrian Martinez*

California's regulations that would gradually end the sale of new gas-powered vehicles in the state by 2035.

Then this month, an agreement between the State and major truck manufacturers fell apart. In 2023, for some relaxation of rules, 10 manufacturers agreed that no new fossil-fueled medium-duty and heavy-duty trucks will be sold in California starting in 2036. Then all new models would have to be zero emissions.

Four of the manufacturers, who control more than 90 percent of the market, wrote the Federal Trade Commission stating that the "Clean Truck Partnership" is unenforceable and that none of the manufacturers has ever or will ever attempt to enforce the Clean Truck Partnership's terms against another manufacturer.

The FTC agreed and revoked the agreement. Then on Aug. 15, the U.S. Department of Justice filed complaints in federal courts against the CARB regarding the State's enforcement of preempted emissions standards through its so-called "Clean Truck Partnership" with heavy-duty truck and engine manufacturers. A parallel filing in the court of appeals addresses CARB's rules for light-duty vehicles, which are also preempted.

"These are dark times. But remember, California is being targeted because our leadership has made a difference. Roughly a third of the country breathes cleaner air protected by our stronger standards," wrote Earthjustice lawyer Adrian Martinez in response to the Report to the Governor. "We've made Los Angeles an eminently more breathable city and cut our asthma rates so kids are growing up healthier."

To encourage continuing and increased ZEV production and sales in California, the agencies' report urges several actions. Two of the major recommendations involve restoring the rebates for ZEV purchase and carpool access to high occupancy lanes.

Although the State is facing deficit budgets, the report argues that point-of-sale rebates, vouchers, or other credits will enhance new vehicle sales, which will also expand the availability of used ZEVs.

Regarding ZEV use, the Report urges the State to find ways to reinstate HOV lane access for ZEVs. Free or reduced fee access to Express Lanes "... is a well-established, non-monetary incentive that is a critical element in purchasing decisions made by consumers in areas of the state with high congestion."

The Report also recommends greater availability of electric vehicle charging and hydrogen infrastructure. More availability along major thoroughfares will give ZEV buyers more confidence in their use. It includes an effort to install more at-residence chargers.

The authors also recommended making ZEV purchases the top priority when State agencies are in the market for new vehicles and making installation of ZEV

chargers at state facilities a priority.

"We applaud Governor Newsom and CARB Chair Randolph's quick action that signals California has a vision for continuing the transition to clean transportation, and we are as committed as ever," said Mary Creasman, Chief Executive Officer, California Environmental Voters, after the Report's release. "An all-of-the-above strategy is needed, urgently, as Californians struggle with affordability at the hands of Big Oil. With refineries closing across the country and corporate polluters constantly increasing their profit margins, Californians can't afford to be trapped by gas."

Despite positive reaction, the Report does not address the cost of insurance for EVs.

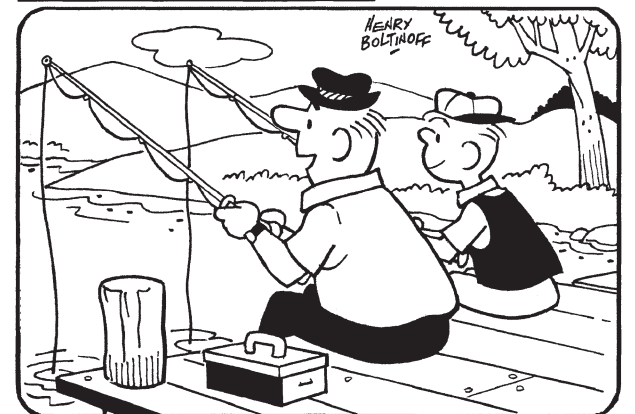
According to the latest Insurify data, reported on Aug. 7, "Insurance costs for EVs have risen by 16% over the past 12 months. Drivers pay 49% more to insure EVs than gas-powered cars." In California the difference is between 15 and 31 percent more to insure an EV.

The average annual cost to insure an EV was \$4,058; however, the average cost for drivers gas-powered cars is \$2,732.

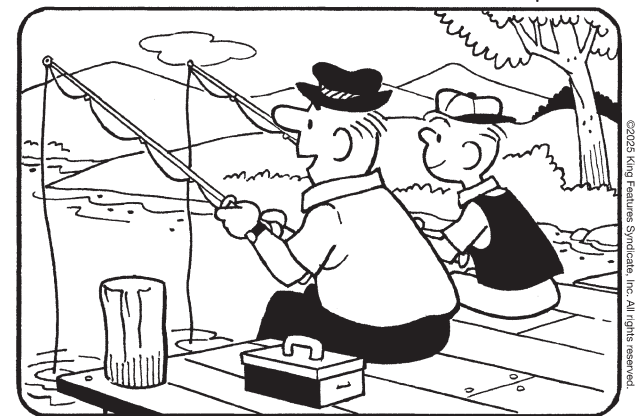
Insurify opines that the higher cost for EVs is attributable to the higher cost of repairing and replacing EVs since premiums reflect the risk and expense of paying out claims.

"EV adoption and related factors, like charging infrastructure, incentives, and the availability of specialized mechanics, also affect insurance costs by influencing maintenance and ownership costs," Insurify asserted.

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BELINDA HANDY  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
Pub. TC: August 21, 28, September 4, 11, 2025

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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DEVIL DOG ENERGY  
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This business is conducted by a Corporation. State of Incorporation: CA.

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Registrant Signature: AARON GLASSER  
Secretary  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 08/15/2025  
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PETER ALDANA,  
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Pub. TC: August 21, 28, September 4, 11, 2025

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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Registrant Signature: HYUN S JANG  
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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN FARMS & NURSERY, CV GROWN FARMS & NURSERY, COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN VINEYARDS, CV GROWN VINEYARDS, COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN PRODUCE, CV GROWN PRODUCE, COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN FLOWERS, CV GROWN FLOWERS, COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN FARMS, CV GROWN FARMS, COACHELLA VALLEY GROWN NURSERY, CV GROWN NURSERY, CVGROWN.COM, CVGROWN, 88790 72ND AVENUE, THERMAL, CA 92274, RIVERSIDE COUNTY. Mailing address: PO BOX 215, THERMAL, CA 92274

COSTNER LLC  
PO BOX 215  
THERMAL, CA 92274  
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability company. State of LLC: CA.  
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: JASON COSTNER  
CEO  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 07/24/2025  
FILE NO.: R-202509208

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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  
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### STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name JEFF MILLER AND ASSOCIATES, 37080 PALMDALE RD., RANCHO MIRAGE, CA 92270. This business is conducted by a Corporation. State of Incorporation: CA.  
The fictitious business names referred to above were filed in Riverside County on 10/01/2020.

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: JEFFREY I. MILLER  
VICE PRESIDENT  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 08/18/2025.  
FILE NO.: R-202010116  
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### CVPS2505565 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 3255 E Tahquitz

Canyon Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262.  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
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a. Present name: JOSE ARMANDO MIRELES-DURAZNO changed to Proposed name: JOSE ARMANDO MIRELES.  
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
a. Date: 10/10/2025 Time: 8:30 am.  
b. The address of the court is same as noted above, Dept. PS4  
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: 08/18/2025  
MICHAEL MARTIN  
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### LIEN SALE

On 09/15/2025 at 37701 WARREN RD. WINCHESTER, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 1978 GMC VIN: TZE368V101409 STATE: CA LIC: 6JUG555 at 10:00 AM.  
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### LIEN SALE

On 09/15/2025 at 1575 S STATE ST SAN JACINTO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2016 HONIC VIN: 1HGCR2F37GAI53531 STATE: CA LIC: 75JG483 at 10:00 AM.  
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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](http://www.StorageTreasures.com) on September 18th, 2025 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.  
B334 - Cates Patricia  
H2 - Steven Sawhill  
E125 - Angelica Ramos  
Pub. TC: June 12, 2025



# On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

B SECTION

IDYLLWILD, CA

THURS., SEP. 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

## Lily Rock Chamber Music Festival becomes labor day tradition

By ART CONNOR  
CONTRIBUTOR

With the approaching end of the summer season here on the Hill, one salient event of the Labor Day weekend is generally expected to bring relief from either desert heat or monsoonal rainstorms, and provide a form of musical entertainment otherwise unavailable at any other time of year. The 4th installment of the Lily Rock Chamber Music Festival thus took place during the last 3 days of August, and offered a somewhat unusual program schedule as advertised, with the performances of unfamiliar works as well as the usual Classic / Romantic repertoire. Unfortunately, this reviewer had to miss out on last Friday evening's program, which featured the world premiere of the recently composed "Trio for Clarinet, Cello and Piano" of California's own Mary Bianco, as well as fairly well-established repertory pieces by Robert Schumann and Johannes Brahms. That performance was nevertheless well-attended, and the Manhattan Chamber Players received proper audience encouragement.

The subsequent Saturday evening's performance in Lowman Concert Hall drew a smaller but no less appreciative audience, and this listener's apologies to Ms. Bianco were received before and after the proceedings. Starting with the familiar Sonata for Cello and Piano in E Minor, Opus 38 of Johannes Brahms, both cellist David Speltz and pianist Mika Sasaki brought the composer's then-maturing styles to the fore, particularly in the final "Allegro" movement where both instruments combine most effectively, without one dominating the other.

There followed the short but nonetheless propulsive Chanson Perpetuelle (Endless Song) of Ernest Chausson, which takes the text of poet / inventor Charles Cros (involving an unappreciated romantic involvement of a lone woman) and blends French affectations with quasi-Wagnerian harmonies. The featured soprano soloist, Faylotte Joy Crayton, effected that mixture with a certain verve that projected an Isolde (or rather an Iseult) to the utmost point of self-resignation, which mood was similarly displayed in the string ensemble's accompaniment.

What ensued following the intermission was a remarkable account of the Quintet for Piano and Strings in E Flat, Opus 44 of Robert Schumann. Here, the dynamism of the outer movements was balanced by the formalities of the March and the Scherzo, most notable by Ms. Sasaki's piano stylings, with the result displaying some of the happier moments in Schumann's compositional life, and the audience's approval was well-projected.

The Sunday afternoon program at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church started with an expository rendering for reduced forces of The Lark Ascending by Ralph Vaughan Williams. Solo violinist Grace Park, with a complimentary string sextet—two violins, two violas

and two cellos—used the open-air setting to great natural advantage in presenting the composer's realization of George Meredith's title poem, and Ms. Park's flights of fancy were effectively balanced in the string arrangement.

The following selection marked the return of the soprano soloist, with her essaying of the condensed operatic monodrama *Il Tramonto* (The Sunset) of Ottorino Respighi. This Italian-language setting of a poem by Percy Bysshe Shelley provided not only Puccini-like drama (a la Butterfly) and Wagnerian chordal textures, but also (to this listener, at least) some "Scheherazadian" effects in the 1st violin and viola parts (Respighi's idolization of Rimsky-Korsakov thus being acknowledged). Ms. Crayton's interpretation of the text was an effective capturing of one woman's night of lovemaking, the death of her lover the following morning, and of her ultimate resolve to continue living.

The festival's last programmed work, the Clarinet Quintet in B Minor, Opus 115 of Johannes Brahms, also used the venue's outdoor setting to an advantage; in all 4 four movements, the dark, brooding atmosphere of the minor mode was put forth effectively by clarinetist Mark Dover, whether in meditative mood (as in the 3rd movement *Andantino*) or in the outer movements' resignation and final valedictory. Following such a masterful display of late Romantic textures, one could almost forgive the players for not ending on such a somber note for a bright afternoon. And with a characteristic twist of values, the Manhattan ensemble provided an unexpected encore, with a somewhat improvised arrangement of a Danish folk tune in a lively 6/8 meter, with added woodwind interjections by Mr. Dover, to give the festivities fairly encouraging sentiments, exit-

ing thus on an all-pleasing note. (Could this be the finale of a "St. Hugh's Suite" a la Gustav Holst, with some compositional engagement from Messrs. Fleming and Speltz? We shall see). In any case, such a conclusion was welcomed with warm and continued applause, thus ensuring the occasion's success.

Once again, this reviewer is grateful to the Idyllwild Arts Academy's faculty and staff, and the staff of St. Hugh's for their respective parts in the Festival, and with requisite support for the prospective continuation in seasons to come.



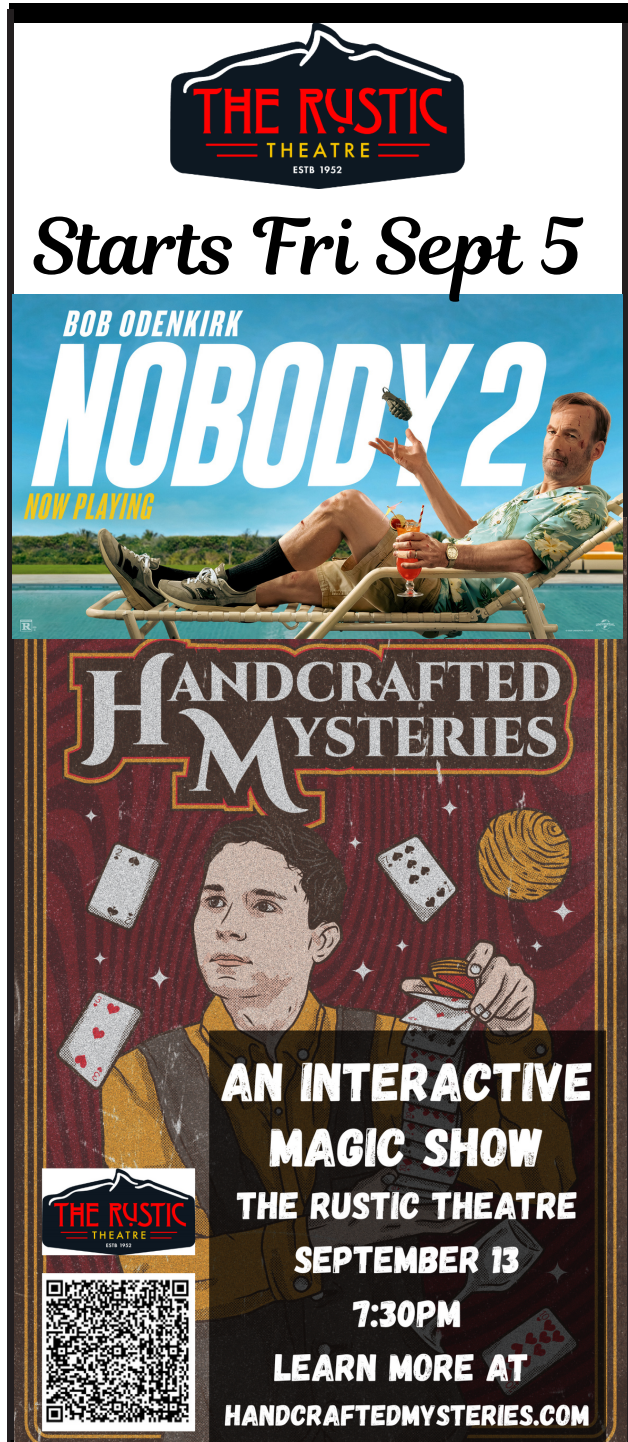

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## Kid Scoop Together

Read today's *Kid Scoop* page to find the answers to the questions below.

- What are the three most popular ice cream flavors in the U.S.?
  - Orange, pineapple, and pickle
  - Strawberry, chocolate, and vanilla
  - Blueberry, strawberry, and chocolate chip
- What is the name of the bean that people use to make chocolate?
  - Cacao
  - Chocolate
  - Coffee
  - Yumster
- On average, how many pounds of strawberries per person do Americans eat in a year?
  - 8 pounds
  - 17 pounds
  - 55 pounds
  - 102 pounds
- Where is most of the vanilla in the world grown?
  - Los Angeles
  - Manitoba
  - Antarctica
  - Madagascar

## Ice Cream Flavors

**What's Your Favorite?**  
 Each year, the International Dairy Foods Association asks people what their favorite ice cream flavor is. And nearly every year, **chocolate**, **vanilla** and **strawberry** are the top three flavors.  
 But sometimes another flavor snags a top spot. Circle every other letter below to see which one.

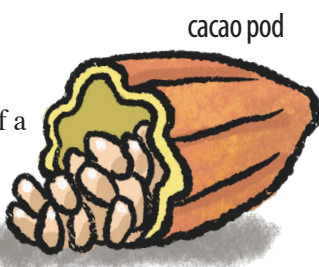
**C O B O V O L K T I N E F S W A J**  
**N Y D Z C U R N E L A T M S**

**C O**

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

## Chocolate

Chocolate is made from the seeds of a **cacao tree**. The seeds are inside the cacao plant's fruit. Each fruit pod is about 10 inches long and is shaped like a football.



cacao pod

22	14	6	18	10
12	13	12	15	6
8	9	6	3	2
4	5	8	9	14
36	17	28	7	8
40	24	2	16	20

## Tasty Treat

About how many pounds of chocolate does the average American eat every year? Color the odd-numbered spaces yellow and the even-numbered spaces brown to reveal the answer.



## Strawberry

For thousands of years, people have gathered and eaten wild strawberries in the woods of Europe and North America.

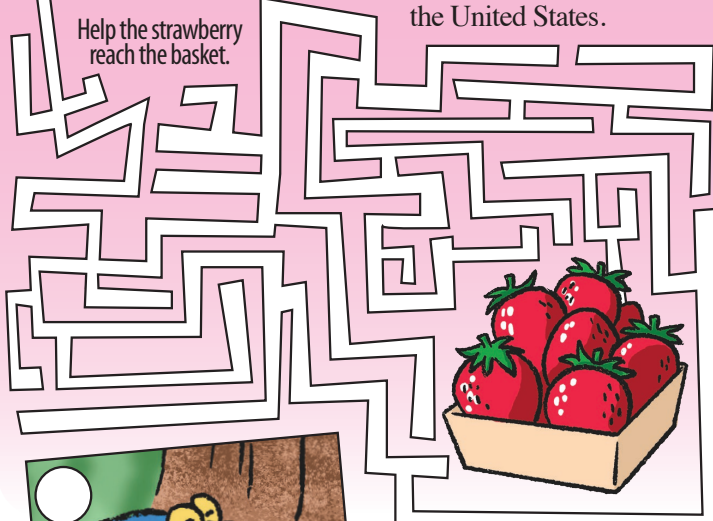
### Strawberry Fun Facts:

- Americans eat about eight pounds of strawberries per person each year.
- Strawberries have more vitamin C than oranges.
- California grows most of the strawberries eaten in the United States.



Today, farmers grow tons of the popular berries.

Help the strawberry reach the basket.



## Aztec Legend: How People Discovered Chocolate

Read the legend, then number the pictures in order.

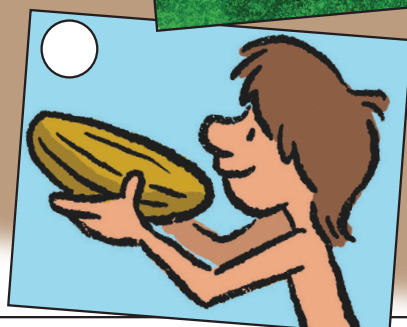
One ancient Aztec legend tells the story of Xolotl, the sun god, and his selfish desire to keep cacao beans hidden from humans.

Quetzalcoatl, the god of wisdom, wanted to share the beans. When Xolotl refused, Quetzalcoatl changed into a blue frog and led children to the cacao trees.

The children found the pods and brought them to their village.

The Aztecs used the cacao to create a chocolate drink with honey and became a powerful civilization.

They never forgot the importance of sharing and continued to leave chocolate under the trees for the little blue frog.



## Extra! Extra! Tasty ABCs

Look through the newspaper for pictures and names of flavors and foods. Cut them out and put them into ABC order.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Place grade-level appropriate words in alphabetical order.

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## Kid Scoop Puzzler

We all scream for ice cream! Each of these treats below have an exact twin. Draw lines to connect each pair.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

## Double Double Word Search

- BERRIES
- CACAO
- CHOCOLATE
- DAIRY
- FROG
- FRUIT
- GROWS
- POD
- SEED
- SHARE
- SUN
- TREE
- VANILLA
- WILD
- YEAR

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

A B Y F H C Z Q D C  
 D E G O R F A L O H  
 L R J Z N U S C P O  
 V R H O X T I Y A C  
 S I Y S R Y R T B O  
 H E L E O I W D J L  
 A S E V A N I L L A  
 R V O D U R Y I Q T  
 E B M P G R O W S E

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

## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **LEGEND**

The noun **legend** means a story from the past, often based on a mix of fact and fiction.

The **legend** of Paul Bunyan is fun but not really true.

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

## FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

### Sell Your Ice Cream

Invent a new flavor of ice cream. Look through the newspaper for words that describe your new flavor. Cut out the words and create an ad to sell your ice cream.

Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.

**Why do ice cream cones carry umbrellas?**  
 ANSWER: In case of sprinkles!

## Write On!

### Flavor Inventor

If your job was to invent new ice cream flavors, what would you come up with? What would you call your flavor? How would you advertise it?

Standards Link: Language Arts: Write descriptively using supporting details.



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Riki Hendrix helping Arn Hancock celebrate his birthday at the Rustic Theater  
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Jeremie Levi performs with Jazzgrass at Ferro Restaurant.  
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# Live Music

For a complete list of all events in Idyllwild, check out: [idyllwildtowncrier.com/events](http://idyllwildtowncrier.com/events)



	WED 9/3	THURS 9/4	FRI 9/5	SAT 9/6	SUN 9/7	MON 9/8	TUES 9/9
<b>CAFE AROMA</b> 54750 N Circle Dr	TBA 5:30pm-8:30pm					TBA 5:30pm-8:30pm	
<b>FERRO</b> 25840 Cedar St			Adam James Glover 6-9pm	The Aristocrats 6-9pm			Jazz Night 6-9pm
<b>MIDDLE RIDGE WINERY</b> 54301 N Circle Dr			MUSIC & FUND-RAISER: Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild 4-7 pm	Classic Country   Stonewood Stompers 3-6pm	American Roots   Nathan James Trio 2-5pm		
<b>TARYN'S PLACE</b> 54200 N Circle Dr Unit A3		The Aristocrats 7-10pm	Pentagrams & Daisies 7-10pm	Dynamite Dawson 7:15-10:15pm	The Auroras 7-10pm	Vincent's Choice 7-10pm	

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Chase Walker Band rocked the house at Tayrn's Place in the Village Lane on Saturday. Idyllwild's Casey Abrams also jumped in on a set.  
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## Idyllwild resident Susie Schaefer will present workshop on "The Power of Publishing" at Idyllwild Library

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Book Doula and Intuitive, Susie Schaefer empowers storytellers to be part of the global conversation and create a ripple effect for humanity, particularly when an author shares their own story in connection to their mission and message.

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Susie Schaefer presents "The Power of Publishing," Tuesday, September 9 at 5pm. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

## CREATURE CORNER



Last week in Days of Our Nine Lives, the ARF cats talked about good reasons to have a cat as part of the family.

### KITTENS

**Pepper:** (wandering into the ARF office) Hello? Anyone here?

**Whiskers:** I'm here, but it is awfully quiet.

**Pepper:** Don't be surprised. Quite a few adoptions have quieted down things here.

**Whiskers:** I know that a senior dog was adopted this last weekend, but I don't think he was with ARF long enough to be in the newspaper.

**Pepper:** Right! That was little Oliver, but have you noticed that it is quiet when it comes to us cats?

**Whiskers:** I have! Rowan and Marlowe were adopted. Such great news!

**Pepper:** As were two kittens, so that leave a new litter of kittens to find homes. They are all female, 4-months old, and ready to go to forever homes.

**Whiskers:** In addition to the adoption news, folks should get ready for a super fun time this Friday.

**Pepper:** That's right! Singing for Their Supper is this Friday, 4 til 7 at Middle Ridge Winery. There are approximately 70 prizes to be won!

**Whiskers:** Holy catnip! That is a LOT! And I understand that attendees are able to decide the fate of a song. Can that be right?

**Pepper:** Oh yeah...and it is very fun. Beautiful weather is predicted, great music, and LOADS of prizes. It should be a win-win for everyone, especially ARF.

**Whiskers:** That's right. All funds raised will benefit ARF cats and dogs.

**Pepper:** I hope everyone joins in the fun, even if it's for just a little while.

This week's Creature Corner is sponsored by Nicholas Hammond.

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 entire 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.

## Past Tense

**75 years ago - 1950**  
Angling in the area had never been so good. More than 9,000 catchable-sized trout had been planted in lakes Hemet and Fulmor.

**70 years ago - 1955**  
The Idyllwild Fire Protection District's educational program was very effective. This year, the number of fire losses on the Hill was fewer than the year before.

**65 years ago - 1960**  
At a press conference, writer Robert Balzer announced plans for an elaborate Buddhist meditation center in Fern Valley. The 13-acre site off Glen Road was to be the only one of its kind in the nation.

**60 years ago - 1965**  
The fourth-annual Music Festival at the USC-ISO-MATA (now Idyllwild Arts Academy) featured Randall Thompson's

new work and Robert Frost's poems in a tribute to the late President John F. Kennedy.

**55 years ago - 1970**  
The Department of Fish and Game reported that the heavy winter of 1968-69 and the moist but mild winter of 1969-70 had produced an improvement in most deer ranges.

**50 years ago - 1975**  
Led by two County Park naturalists, a funeral parade of 26 cars proceeded slowly from Hurkey Creek to Garner Valley to inspect the Lake Hemet Fire's burned area. About 130 people responded to the published invitation to take part in the tour.

**45 years ago - 1980**  
Idyllwild Arts Director Robert Holmes announced an anonymous donor had offered to help construct an amphitheater on campus for crowds larger than the Bowman Theatre could accommodate.

**40 years ago - 1985**  
In the Idyllwild area, the Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit was busy rescuing lost and injured hikers in four separate cases.

**35 years ago - 1990**  
An amendment to the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Act required that water companies nationwide begin filtering water obtained from running streams. The Fern Valley Water District Board of Directors, faced with having to buy a filtration system, had no choice but to raise its rates.

**30 years ago - 1995**  
A Laguna Hills man navigating a hang glider over the San Jacinto Mountains died after crashing his aircraft in Mountain Center.

**25 years ago - 2000**  
The Army Corps of Engineers was conducting a detailed reconnaissance study of the entire 730-square-mile stretch of the San Jacinto River, hoping to find sufficient evidence of flood control and water management programs.

**20 years ago - 2005**  
The Riverside County Department of Health Services proposed that all retailers who sell tobacco products have a county license as well as a state license.

**15 years ago - 2010**  
The Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved an initial \$1 million funding for the Idyllwild Library project.

**10 years ago - 2015**  
The Idyllwild Historic Preservation District Review Board announced a Sept. 29 town hall at the Idyllwild Library to explain the Mills Act, a California program that can reduce property taxes by up to 50% for owners who restore and maintain historic buildings

**5 years ago - 2020**  
In mid-July 2020, the Idyllwild HELP Center launched an online thrift store to enable safer shopping during COVID-19, offering shipping and curbside pickup while continuing community aid with grants and mask distribution.

**1 years ago - 2024**  
Riverside County supervisors voiced disappointment with enforcement of the revised STR ordinance during the Aug. 27 meeting as residents detailed problems and officials acknowledged missteps, while Tier 2 permitting and a public STR map were slated to roll out.

# Churches & Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

**Calvary Chapel**  
Mountain Center  
29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center, Ca. 92561  
Sunday Worship Service 10:00 am  
Church Office 951-659-0097  
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.

**Idyllwild Community Church**  
54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935  
www.icpchurch.net  
Your Mountain Family in Christ  
Sunday Worship - 9:30 a.m. • Rev. Dr. Robert Mitchell  
Celebration: 5th grade & under during worship - Child care available  
Tuesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:30 a.m. - Wednesday: Women's Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.

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# Folk flock to birdwalk

By DAVID JEROME  
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Birdwatchers, experienced and novice, flocked to the Idyllwild Nature Center on Saturday, August 30, for a Bird Walk with naturalist Kurt Leuschner. The event was well-attended, and Park Interpreter Allison Fedrick was "thankful for the success of these lectures. We've had a good turn out." The week before, the meeting room was also full—on a rainy day—to hear Kim Marcus's presentation on Cahuilla culture and history.

Idyllwild is a great place for birding, Leuschner explained, as we are the "disconnected southern extension of the Sierra Nevada" biome. A birdwalk here is "like taking a little trip to the Sierras." Many bird species make their homes here, others pass through, and still others only nest here occasionally when the weather brings enough rain.

Although there are miles of trails around the Nature Center, the attached deck, with its watering hole and feeders, is as good a place as any to see and hear an assortment of local and visiting birds. As Leuschner put it "the feeder is where it's at." The Nature Center loans out printed guides to local birds to get bird watchers started.



Bird watchers at the Nature Center PHOTO BY DAVID JEROME

# Seattle group brings annual games to Tahquitz Pines

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During the second week of September a group of athletic Seattle septugenarians who keep childhood bonds alive will be meeting in Idyllwild for an event they call their "mini-Olympics." Idyllwild part-timer Mike Cole told the Town Crier that they have been doing this annually for about 30 years.

Cole says there will be about a dozen men this year (the thirteenth will stay for one day before catching a plane to Africa.) The men all graduated from Seattle's Queen Anne High School in the class of 1970. A handful met in elementary school, others at junior highs, but all came together at Queen Anne, which, from its hillside, overlooked the Space Needle. Most were on sports teams in High School—football, basketball, track—and a few continued on to college athletics. They are all in their 70s now, the youngest, the class Valedictorian, graduated at 16, and so is now 71. "He's coming from Bangkok!"

They gather for friendship and for sports. They compete in a core group of events, Bocce Ball, Pickleball, and Basketball, winning points in a "mini-Olympics." The prize is a bone, with a toy grizzly bear, glued to a wooden plaque, the "Queen Anne Grizzly Bone." Poker is part of the after-hours activities, but not counted in the "official" rankings.

This will be their first mini-Olympiad outside Washington State. Previous events were held in spots like Fort Warden, on the Olympic Peninsula, but with all the members retired, (Cole, the last to retire, was a State Judge) they have spread out, and began to consider Utah, Oregon, and points further afield.

Cole was close to the origins of Pickleball. "Two of the three inventors were from our neighborhood, a place called Magnolia. They had beach cabins on Bainbridge Island, off the coast of Seattle, they invented it on



Members of Seattle's Queen Anne High School class of 1970

PHOTO COURTESY OF MICHAEL COLE

the island. They brought it to Seattle, they were friends of my dad." Cole and his friends grew up playing on "probably the third or fourth Pickleball court in the world." They played with all wood paddles and wiffle balls. "Official equipment didn't come out until 1980."

Cole explained how the group came to Idyllwild. He and his wife Lauie, who now live in the San Fernando Valley, found Idyllwild around 1990 and frequently spent weekends here. On one visit he heard the familiar sounds of a Pickleball game coming from the Idyllwild Community Center courts. Before the current location, ICC had converted a tennis court—on the site of the present children's playground and parking lot—into two Pickleball courts. He thought "There's something I could do here! I'm not a hiker." Around 2015 they bought a cabin up here and began spending more and more time on The Hill. A few group members have homes or time-shares in Palm Springs or Ranch Mirage, and have become regular visitors to Idyllwild.

The opening of Tahquitz Pines as a resort created an ideal venue for the Queen Anne mini-Olympics. "There are Pickleball, Bocce Ball and Basketball courts, a restaurant and bar, a pool." They may add a few other events to this year's program, since Tahquitz Pines also has pool tables and horseshoe pits. And the price was right, "It was three nights for the price of two in Fort Warden."

## Weekly SUDOKU

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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
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## MAGIC MAZE ● — VIEW

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: A TREELESS GRASSY PLAIN

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## King Crossword

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                | 37 007 creator                | 9 Bright star            |
| 1 Pitcher's pride            | Fleming                       | 10 Say it's so           |
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| 8 Chew (on)                  | 45 Dutch cheese               | 19 Booty                 |
| 12 Singer Rawls              | 46 Ovid's 53                  | 20 Explanation           |
| 13 Holiday lead-ins          | 47 "A pox upon thee!"         | 23 Calif. clock setting  |
| 14 Peregrinate               | 48 Jeansmaker Strauss         | 24 Water (Fr.)           |
| 15 Belief                    | 49 Harrow rival               | 25 Blaster's need        |
| 16 Tide variety              | 50 Mimic                      | 26 Bikini top            |
| 17 Currier's partner         | 51 Future atty.'s exam        | 27 Tiara jewel           |
| 18 Dick Tracy's sweetie      | 52 Big rig                    | 28 Enzyme suffix         |
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| 36 "Exodus" hero             |                               | 42 Miles away            |
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Answers to puzzles found on B4

## HOROSCOPES

September 2025 — Week 1



**March 21 – April 19**

This week could offer more opportunities for ambitious Lams who are eager to get ahead. But don't rush into making decisions until you've checked for possible hidden problems.



**April 20 – May 20**

Some light begins to shine on professional and/or personal situations that have long eluded an explanation. Best advice: Don't rush things. All will be made clear in time.



**May 21 – June 21**

Although you might want to protest what seems to be an unfair situation, it's best to keep your tongue and temper in check for now. The full story hasn't come out yet.



**June 22 – July 22**

Work prospects are back on track, but watch what you say. A thoughtless comment to the wrong person -- even if it's said in jest -- could delay or even derail your progress.



**July 23 – August 22**

A colleague might goad you into saying or doing the wrong thing. It's best to ignore the troublemaker, even if they rile up your royal self. Your supporters will stand with you.



**August 23 – September 22**

Careful not to let your on-the-job zealotness create resentment with co-workers who might feel like you shut them out. Prove them wrong by including them in your project.



**September 23 – October 22**

Although it's not quite what you hoped for, use your good business sense to make the most of what you're being offered at this time. Things will improve down the line.



**October 23 – November 21**

A more positive picture of what lies ahead is beginning to take shape. But there are still too many gaps that need to be filled in before you make definitive plans.



**November 22 – December 21**

Continue to keep a tight hold on the reins. This way, you don't charge willy-nilly into a situation that might appear attractive on the surface but lack substance underneath.



**December 22 – January 19**

You still need to demand answers to your questions. Remember, your wise counseling earns you respect, but it's your search for truth that gives you wisdom.



**January 20 – February 18**

You'll find people who are happy to help you deal with some difficult situations. And, of course, knowing you, you'll be happy to return those favors anytime... Won't you?



**February 19 – March 20**

Give the special someone in your personal life a large, loving dollop of reassurance. This will go a long way in restoring the well-being of your ailing relationship.

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