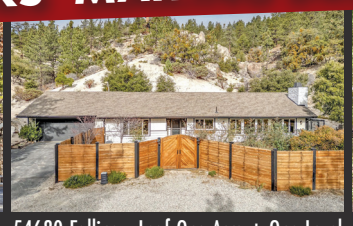
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Two outages leave hill without power Wednesday May 13

By David Jerome

The entire Idyllwild and Pine Cove area, as well as residents in Mountain Center, were without electricity starting just after noon on Wednesday, May 13, with over 800 customers in Idyllwild waiting until after midnight for service to resume.

David Eisenhauer, media information officer with Southern California Edison, provided these details about the outages.

There were two separate outages. The first began at 12:09 p.m., affecting 4,300 customers in Idyllwild, Pine Cove and Mountain Center. SCE crews deenergized the circuit providing power to the area in order to repair a broken pole discovered on Apela Drive, the main road through the Idyllwild Arts Academy. The cause of the broken pole is still under investigation. Most customers were restored by 9:45 p.m.

The second outage started at 9:38 p.m., affecting 830 customers in Idyllwild, and power was restored at 12:31 a.m. Thursday. SCE is still looking into the cause of this outage.

At least one resident on Highway 74 near Keen Camp Road reported that their power was out until after midnight. SCE has yet to account for this discrepancy at press time.

SCE has previously explained to the Town Crier that while urban customers are served by a "grid" of crossing distribution lines, allowing power to reach a neighborhood by several routes, we are served by a "hub and spoke" system, where a single line brings power up the mountain, and work on any spoke shuts off power to all customers on that spoke.

SCE provides warnings of upcoming outages, when possible, and estimates of the time that service will resume to those who have signed up for address-specific notifications at https://www.sce.com/customer-service-center/help-center/outages/general/sign-up-for-outage-alerts. If you are not a customer (a renter whose landlord receives the bill) use https://www.scepsps.com/.



Serafina the cat is a regular visitor to the ICC Farmers Market, every Sunday at Town Hall, only missing the fun if it rains. ICC president Stephanie Yost expanded the market from a summer-time event to year-round in 2019.
PHOTO BY STEPHANIE YOST

Children of Dia Abrams offer settlement on Keith Harper's claims

By David Jerome

The estate of missing Garner Valley resident Lydia "Dia" Abrams is nearing final disposition. Abrams was declared legally dead last year after she disappeared without a trace in 2020 from her 117-acre Bonita Vista Ranch.

On May 7, attorneys filed a proposed Offer of Judgement on behalf of Abrams' two adult children, Clinton and Crisara, to Keith Harper, the man who identifies himself as Dia's fiancé and was named trustee in a trust she filed 15 days before going missing.

Their offer is to pay Harper $85,000 out of the estate "when the Abrams Trust has sufficient cash assets, which is not presently the case," and after the court enters an order for distribution. Abrams' main asset, the

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Pine Cove Water searches for leaks, reminds residents that two springs crossing 243 are natural

By David Jerome

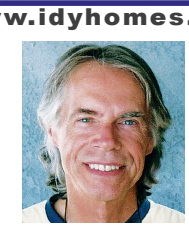
The May meeting of the Board of Directors of PineCove Watrer District covered two months of business which will be covered next week. One surprise was a high water loss figure, 22%

General Manager Jeremy Potter pointed to several causes. First, there were two large leaks in late February and early March for which no accurate figures were available. Since then, he said, no new leaks have surfaced, but he will undertake a survey for surfacing leaks. Another possible cause for the loss may be firefighter activity managing the many prescribed burns in the Pine Cove area this spring.

A third cause that may be skewing the loss figures is a faulty meter on one of the production wells. This has not been recording correctly and Potter has resorted to regular visual checks, finding this more accurate. IWD had a similar problem last year, when faulty metering inflated loss figures.

Potter and Office Manager Jennifer Hayes mentioned the many calls they receive about two springs that wet the highway, one above Cedar Glen, and other on Deadman's Curve. These are natural sources and not PCWD leaks, they underlined. Potter said that for many years he would go and bury the Cedar Glen source to reduce the damage to the asphalt.

Residents who see surfacing water in other spots are still encouraged to report this to PCWD, which rewards good tips (for actual PCWD leaks) with a gift certificate good for dinner at a local restaurant.

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Desmond, von Wilpert, Riker among candidates seeking new Congressional District 48 seat

By JP Crumrine
Correspondent

Editor's Note: On June 2, the State's Primary Election will be held. Besides numerous State offices, such as Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State and more. Voters will have to choose two candidates for the Congressional District 48 seat, which includes the Hill. Twelve candidates will be on the ballot. Incumbent Darrell Issa chose not to seek re-election. There are nine Democratic candidates, two Republican and one with no party preference. The two candidates with the most votes will appear on the November General Election ballot.

The Federal Elections Commission campaign finance reports as of March 31, the last report date, indicate that four of the candidates had no funding to report and three had less than $25,000.

The Town Crier interviewed three candidates, Republican Jim Desmond and two Democrats, Brandon Riker and Marni von Wilpert.



Jim Desmond

Jim Desmond

Jim Desmond, a Republican, is a San Diego County Supervisor. He is a former mayor and councilmember of San Marcos. He was first elected to the San Diego County Board in 2019. Four years later, he was re-elected with 60 percent of the vote, 4 percent more than his first victory.

Desmond, 69, and his wife, Keri, have been married for 42 years and have two grown children. Born in Illinois, he joined the Navy, took flying lessons but was not a Navy pilot. After graduating from San Diego State University, he spent 33 years as a pilot for Delta Airlines.

His career in politics was essentially a series of progressive steps, he explained. The first began when his children were in school. He and Keri volunteered to help the Parent-Teacher group, then scouts, and then business. Friends and associates encouraged him to run for the San Marcos city council, which he did successfully in 2004.

Every candidate is aware of and familiar with the long list of issues, for Desmond, one of his highest priorities is lower living costs and affordability, which he defines on website as "for families and seniors struggling with inflation and rising living expenses."

One step is lower taxes, Desmond urges. And when asked how he would address the budget deficit, which would be increased with less tax revenue, he replied, "The only way out of deficit is growing the economy. We need a business friendly environment. Without it, too many people are leaving California. If I can bring federal dollars here, that will help."

The capital gains tax applied to selling a house is one which Desmond would like to change. This would encourage seniors to sell, with several beneficial consequences Desmond opined.

Seniors would have more cash, more homes would be on the market, with more supply, prices are lower, and that helps new purchasers, he believes.

Lower energy costs is another step to improving affordability, Desmond argued. The San Onofre nuclear generating station has been shut down since 2013. The spent fuel has been stored in the ground. Some people have urged using this "waste" to generate more energy, and he suggests that this option should be explored.

"It would be a huge plus for the economy," Desmond averred.

The border and immigration are also issues high on his list. Providing the Border Patrol with needed tools and training should continue, he stated. Their success is apparent as death from fentanyl have begun to decline, he opined.

The process to become a citizen should be improved. "It shouldn't take years to become a citizen," he argued. "Everybody wants a safe border, but citizenship system needs to work." He referred to the need for agricultural workers in California and much of the West. He offered a system to vet people to come back and forth into the country.

The solution to air pollution is an issue that Desmond argues should be re-assessed. He favors getting industry more involved in developing new technologies to remove pollution before it gets into the atmosphere.

"Take out government and get people and entrepreneurs involved," he recommended. "For example, approve incentives for fuel re-use."

As of March 31, the latest reporting date for federal campaign financing, Desmond had raised $1.7 million this year and already spent $700,000. At that time, he had $1.1 million in cash for the final two months of the campaign.

His contributions are high because he was originally going to run in the 49th Congressional District and had announced that intention a year ago. He switched to the 48th in March when Issa announced his retirement.

In April on his social media, President Donald Trump announced his endorsement, "Jim Desmond has my Complete and Total Endorsement to be the next Representative from California's 48th Congressional District – HE WILL NEVER LET YOU DOWN!"

"I run for congress with a great background and understanding of local government," Desmond said in concluding the interview. "I want to continue to make the world a better place.

"I want to bring resources from D.C. to work on local problems. And the concern for wildfire is a big issue in Idyllwild," he added. "I've dealt with fire situation in San Diego County and want to make sure the American Dream is still here for the next generation."

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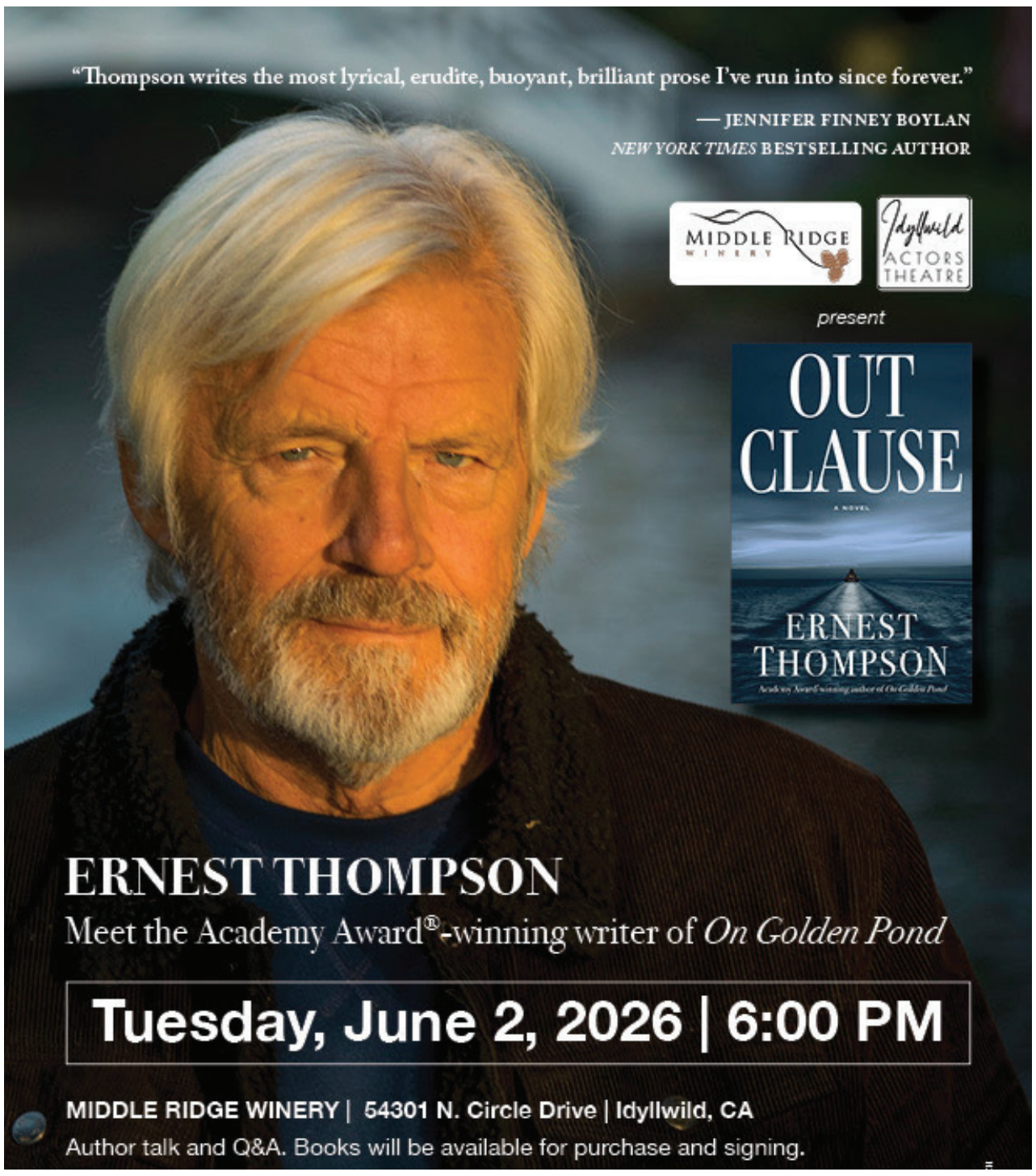





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Idyllwild Weather

source: www.accuweather.com

Day	High / Low	Conditions
Wednesday 5/20	78 °F / 55 °F	Warm with plenty of sunshine
Thursday 5/21	81 °F / 55 °F	Mostly sunny and warm
Friday 5/22	77 °F / 55 °F	Mostly sunny and beautiful
Saturday 5/23	78 °F / 57 °F	Sunny, nice and warm
Sunday 5/24	75 °F / 42 °F	Sunny; breezy in the afternoon
Monday 5/25	74 °F / 41 °F	Mostly sunny
Tuesday 5/26	71 °F / 42 °F	Sunshine and a few clouds



Almost All the News- Part of the Time

Idyllwild TOWN CALENDAR



Community Events May 20th - May 26th
Wednesday May 20th
ICC events:
- Fit After 50 - 10:00 am - 11:00 am - Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St
- Jazzercise Jazzercise- 8:30 am - 9:30 am & 5:30pm-6:30pm
- Chair Exercise Class -11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Library events:
- Storytime- "World Bee Day"- 11:00am-12:00pm - 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Kid's Book Club: "Front Desk" by Kelly Yang - 4:30-5:30pm

Thursday May 21st
Library events:
- Yarn Club-10:00am - 12:00pm- 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Fireside Book Club: "Strangers in Time" by David Baldacci - 2:00pm -3:30pm
- ICC events:
- Jazzercise- 8:30am- 9:30am - Town Hall
- Fit After 50 - 10:00 am - 11:00 am - Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St
- Junior Chess League - 3:30pm- 5:00pm - Community Center
- Adult Chess League -5:00pm - 6:30 Community Center

Friday May 22nd
ICC events:
- Jazzercise- 8:30am- 9:30am - Town Hall
- Free Senior Yoga - 10:45 am - 11:45 am - Town Hall
- Chair Exercise Class -12:00-1:00pm - Town Hall
- Fit After 50 - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Town Hall

Saturday May 23
ICC events:
- Jazzercise- 8:30am- 9:30am

Sunday May 24th

ICC events:
- FREE CONCERT featuring THE SILVERADOS- 5:00pm- 8:00pm - Butterfield Amphitheatre
- Farmers Market – 9:00am –2:00 pm – Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- **Monday May 25th**

ICC events:
- Jazzercise- 8:30 am - 9:30 am & 5:30pm-6:30pm
- TAI CHI Class- 10:30 am - 11:30 am
- Chair Exercise Class- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Tuesday May 26th
ICC events:
- Jazzercise- 7:00am- 8:00am & 5:30pm-6:30pm
- Fit After 50 - 10:00 am - 11:00 am - Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St

Idyllwild Library:
- Mah Jongg – 12:00am – 3:30pm - 54401 Village Center Dr.
- **Idyllwild Shuttle Service**
- Monday: Local Service & Trip to the Desert
- Tuesday: Local Service
- Wednesday: Local Service & Trip to Hemet/ Temecula
- Thursday: Local Service -
- Friday: Local Service & off the hill (destination TBD)
- CALL (951) 426-9688

12 STEP MEETINGS IN THE IDYLLWILD AREA

Sunday
AA – Discussion, Noon, Idyllwild Water District
"Mixed Nuts" (Al-Anon with AA participation), 5:30 PM–7:00 PM, Spirit Mountain

Monday
AA – Discussion, Noon, St. Hugh's
CoDA (CoDependents Anonymous), 6:00 PM on Zoom, Mtg WW744 on coda.org or call 951-634-4046
AA – (Closed) Women Only, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM, St. Hugh's

Tuesday
AA – 12x12, Noon, St. Hugh's

Wednesday
ACA/ACOA (Adult Children of Alcoholics), 5:45 PM–7:00 PM, Spirit Mountain

Thursday
AA – Discussion & Birthdays, Noon, St. Hugh's
Emotions Anonymous, 5:00 PM–6:00 PM, Spirit Mountain
Al-Anon – family & friends of alcoholics, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM, Spirit Mountain

Friday
Idy A's – Members of AA, NA, Al-Anon, CODA, etc., Noon, St. Hugh's
ACA/ACOA Step Study, 3:00 PM, Spirit Mountain
AA with Al-Anon participation, 5:30 PM, Ark of Light

Saturday
AA – Big Book Study, Noon, St. Hugh's
AA Speaker Meeting (last Saturday of the month)
AA – Happy Hour & Birthdays, 5:30 PM–6:30 PM (bring a chair), Behind Idyllwild Water District

Every Day
AA meetings online, Any time, https://aa-intergroup.org/

Meeting Locations
St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
Ark of Light, 54445 N. Circle Dr., Suite F
Idyllwild Water District, 25945 State Hwy. 243

January through March 2026 (revised 1/16/26)
All meetings are open unless otherwise noted.
Meeting secretaries: please call 951-634-4048 to change info.

Coming Up!

Friday through Monday, May 22-25
Free rides on historic Butterfield Stagecoach (rides Friday- Sunday only)
Visit the horses and coach at Idypark from 9 to 11:30 a.m. From noon to 5 p.m., Friday through Sunday, there will be free stagecoach rides from Idyllwild Brewpub. Sign up for a ride upstairs at Idyllwild Brewpub; Veterans and First Responders get priority access. Idyllwild Brewpub 54423 Village Center Dr.

Saturday, May 23
Changing of the Colors at Idypark
There will be a Changing of the Colors at Idypark on Saturday May 23, Attendees are asked to arrive by 11:50 a.m. The old flag will be retired and a new one, provided by David Butterfield, raised by a color guard from American Legion Post 800. The event is sponsored by Idyllwild Brewpub, which is also offering veterans and first responders 25% off food all weekend.

Saturday, May 23
American Legion Memorial Day BBQ
American Legion Post 800 will be hosting their traditional Memorial Day Weekend BBQ on Saturday May 23, from 3-7 p.m., featuring pork ribs, baked beans and coleslaw, $20 per person. There will be free live music and dancing with the Stereo Purrs from 6-10 p.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View.

Saturday and Sunday, May 23-24
48th annual Wildflower Festival
The annual springtime celebration is a family event with crafts, food, craft vendors, and more. Examples of the many wildflowers that are indigenous to these mountains will be on display. Wildflower experts will lead nature walks and share their knowledge of the San Jacinto Mountains' wildflower ecosystem. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243.

Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24
Art in the Park
Local artisans and live music. (Also June 13 and 14, August 15 and 16, and September 5 and 6.) ICC Children's playground parking lot 54195 Ridgeview Dr.

Sunday May 24
The Silverados at Butterfield Amphitheater
The Silverados, Southern California's premier country rock cover band, will perform at 5 p.m. Sunday evening. Free Admission. Butterfield Amphitheater, 54201 Ridgeview Dr.

Thursday, May 28
"Your Brain is Still Under Construction," neuroplasticity and you
Idyllwild Library Branch Manager James Wyatt will talk about neuroplasticity, the brain's ability to reorganize itself as you learn new skills, adapt to changes in your environment, and recover from injuries. Thursday, May 28, 3:30 p.m., Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

Thursday, May 28
Candidate for congress Marni Von Wilpert
The visit by candidate for congress, Marni Von Wilpert, has been moved to 5:30 pm, Thursday, May 28, at the Idyllwild Community Center. The May 13 date was cancelled due to the power outage that day. Idyllwild Indivisible Facilitator Elaine Bacher tells us that "She is serving on the San Diego City council, has a very diverse political background. She is one of the front runners in the race for Congress in our district 48." Idyllwild Community Center, 54195 Ridgeview Dr.

Saturday May 30
Art Alliance of Idyllwild Spring Kickoff
The Art Alliance of Idyllwild will be holding their Summer Kickoff at Town Hall, Saturday, May 30, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a judged AAI Art Show with guest judge Michael Cedeno (@mikecedenoart),

There will be an Art Raffle & Robust Silent Auction to benefit the creative community, Chili Bowls for Charity supporting the Idyllwild School 8th Grade Tile Project. Beer, wine, food, and sweet treats will be available.

Live music will be provided by Lindsay Speed & Friends, Francesca Brown, The Auroras, Nathan James, Urban Grass, and Vincent's Choice. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

Sunday May 31
Idyllwild Master Chorale presents Maytime Spring Jubilee
The Master Chorale, under Dwight "Buzz" Holmes, conclude their 50th Anniversary Season. Sunday, May 31, 2:00 p.m., at Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts Academy. Adults $25, Seniors $20, Students $10.

Tuesday, June 2
***On Golden Pond* author Ernest Thompson reads from his new book**
Academy-Award-winning writer Ernest Thompson will read from his new literary thriller, Out Clause, on Tuesday June 2, at 6 p.m. at Middle Ridge Winery. The novel "invites you to reevaluate your own life and challenges you to commit to being your better angel (in the book, there are consequences for anyone who fails to)."

Suzanne Avalon, president of Idyllwild Actors Theatre, a presenter of this event, said, "We had the great honor of producing the premiere of Ernest Thompson's play The Elixir, in 2008, and are thrilled to welcome him back."

Middle Ridge Winery, 54301 N. Circle Drive.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as DICK'S ON ARENAS, 301 E. ARENAS RD., PALM SPRINGS, CA 92262, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

DESERT SKY ENTERTAINMENT, LLC
891 14TH STREET, #3909
DENVER, CO 80202

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

State of LLC: CO

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 3/25/2026.

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:
MARK C. CALLAGHAN
MANAGER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 04/20/2026
FILE NO.:
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CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2026

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to notify the public that there will be a public hearing on June 10, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the Pine Cove Water District Board Room regarding Water Stand-By Assessments for unimproved lots for the fiscal year 2026-2027. The amount will remain unchanged - $30.00 per acre (or portion thereof) per year within the Pine Cove Water District.

Resolution No. 560

PINE COVE WATER DISTRICT
PO Box 2296, Idyllwild, CA 92549
Phone: 951-659-2675

Pub. TC: April 30, May 7, 14, 21, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as BT FINISHES, 17333 VALLEY BLVD SPC 87E, FONTANA, CA 92335. COUNTY OF SAN BERNADINO.

BRUCE LEE TIEMSTRA
17333 VALLEY BLVD SPC 87E
FONTANA, CA 92335

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

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

Registrant Signature:
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CVMV 2604212
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK AVENUE BLDG D #201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. Branch name: Moreno Valley Branch.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: JARED VAN FOSSEN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: JARED VAN FOSSEN Changed to Proposed name: JARED HAWTHORNE

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

a. Date: 6/10/2026. Time: 8:00 am.

b. The address of the court is same as noted above, Dept. MV2

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: April 24, 2026

RANDALL S. STAMEN
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2026

CVMV 2604217
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK AVENUE BLDG D #201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. Branch name: Moreno Valley Branch.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: SUSAN ROY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: SUSAN ROY Changed to Proposed name: SUSAN HAWTHORNE

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.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDY CREW, 25465 TAHQUITZ RD. UNIT A, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: PO BOX 42, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

KARINA ANGELICA JOVEL MONROY
25465 TAHQUITZ RD. UNIT A
IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

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

Registrant Signature:
KARINA JOVEL MONROY

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/06/2026
FILE NO.:
R-202606785

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CERTIFICATION

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: May 14, 21, 28, June 4, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PERFECT PINT, 42-575 MELANIE, STE F, PALM DESERT, CA 92211. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing address: 77310 INDIANA AVENUE, PALM DESERT, CA 92211.

PERFECT PINT INC.
42-575 MELANIE PALCE STE F
PALM DESERT, CA 92211

This business is conducted by a Corporation

State of Corporation: CA

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 02/02/2021.

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Registrant Signature:
GEORGE JORDAN PANAIOTOV
CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/05/2026
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as STITCH AND STONE, 54425 NORTH CIRCLE DR SUITE #7, IDYLLWILD , CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: PO BOX 794 IDYLLWILD, CA 92549.

CANDY CUPBOARD COMPANY
25548 WHITE OAK DR
HEMET, CA 92544

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

State of Corporation: CA.

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Registrant Signature:
JENNIFER MCKEE
CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/07/2026
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R-202606819

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as ALMOST HEAVEN IDYLLWILD, 54545 NORTH CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: 1444 CURTIS LANE, ALPINE, CA 91901.

ALMOST HEAVEN, INC.
1444 CURTIS LANE
ALPINE, CA 91901

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

State of Corporation: CA

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Registrant Signature:
GABRIELLE MARCIN
CEO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/11/2026
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R-202606956

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as FOUNDATIONAL PAINTING, 26418 CAPE MENDOCINO CT, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92555. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

HAROLD EDWARD SALCIDO
26418 CAPE MENDOCINO CT
MORENO VALLEY, CA 92555

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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Registrant Signature:
HAROLD SALCIDO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/12/2026
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R-202607017

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: May 21, 28, June 4, 11, 2026

CVMV 2604547
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK AVENUE BLDG D #201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. Branch name: Moreno Valley Branch.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: ARLENE ARIANA RIVAS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: ARLENE ARIANA RIVAS Changed to Proposed name: ARIANA ALEXANDRA TUGGLE-RIVAS.

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: 7/01/2026. Time: 8:00 am.

b. The address of the court is same as noted above, Dept. MV2

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: May 8, 2026

RANDALL S. STAMEN
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: May 21, 28, June 4, 11, 2026

CVMV 2604747
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK AVENUE D201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. Branch name: Moreno Valley Branch.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: KEYSHAWNA JAIKIA MCCOVERY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: KEYSHAWNA JAIKIA MCCOVERY Changed to Proposed name: KEYSHAWNA MCCOVERY BROWN.

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.

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Date: May 14, 2026

RANDALL S. STAMEN
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: May 21, 28, June 4, 11, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as LAS DAMAS, COACHELLA SMOKE COMPANY, 85995 GRAPEFRUIT BLVD UNIT 1, COACHELLA, CA 92236. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

LAS DAMAS, LLC
85995 GRAPEFRUIT BLVD UNIT 1
COACHELLA, CA 92236

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

State of L.L.C.: CA

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 02/13/2026.

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:
LETICIA AYON MEZA
MANAGING MEMBER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/15/2026
FILE NO.:
R-202607337

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name HELLE BOOKS, 53355 SHERMAN DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549, COUNTY: RIVERSIDE, has been abandoned by the following persons:

HELLE BRISSON PEARSON
PO BOX 4302
IDYLLWILD-PINE COVE, CA 92549

DAVID CHARLES PEARSON
PO BOX 4302
IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The fictitious business names referred to above were filed in Riverside County on 03/18/2025.

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:

DAVID C PEARSON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 05/12/2026.
FILE NO.:
R-202503626

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. State Street in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California, will sell at Public Auction to be hosted online at www.StorageTreasures.com on June 4th, 2026 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.

B117 - Jason Valenzuella

Pub. TC: May 21, 28, 2026

LIEN SALE

2002 FORD F-150 VIN# 1FTRW07642KC03450 CA LIC# 55908J36 LIEN SALE: 6/4/2026 AT: 10:00 AM 6158 COLOMBUS ST STE B, RIVERSIDE, CA 92504

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Candidates — Riker

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Riker, 39 years old, is a fourth generation Californian. He graduated from Washington College in Maryland in 2009 and became interested in politics.

He has been active in Democratic politics for years. In 2007, while in college, he worked in former President Barak Obama's campaign as a field operative. In 2008, he headed the Montana office.

After the election, he obtained his advanced degree from the London School of Economics. He entered the banking business, but the continuation of the Iraq War disturbed him and regenerated his interest in politics.

In 2016, he entered the race to become the Lt. Governor of New Hampshire, from which he eventually withdrew.

Eventually, he returned to California and started his own successful financial business in Palm Springs. But the pull of politics, "solving real problems" as he said, drew him to enter the race to challenge Congressman Ken Calvert for his Congressional seat.

However, Proposition 50 changed the boundaries of California's 50 congressional districts. The Hill communities were no longer in Calvert's turf. They were moved into District 48, which is represented by Congressman Darrell Issa. So Riker chose to challenge Issa, who has decided not to seek re-election. There are now eleven candidates -- eight Democrats, two Republicans and one No Party Preference-- seeking the nomination on the November ballot.

Riker is gay, but he stresses that this election is not about sexuality issues, but economic. He wants to create the second "New Deal." As the only economist in Congress, he believes he has the background to guide this effort.

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As of March 31, the latest reporting date for federal campaign financing, Riker had raised $1.9 million this year and already spent $820,000. About 44 percent of the contributions were loans from the candidate to the campaign. At that time, he had $1.1 million in cash for the final two months of the campaign.

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Pictured are young mustangs Brook & Dunn recently rescued by Living Free

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Candidates — von Wilpert

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Marni von Wilpert

Marni von Wilpert, 43 years old, is one of the nine Democrats seeking the new CD 48 seat. Although born in Denver, Colorado, she grew up in northern San Diego County and graduated from Scripps Ranch High School

Her career has been in public service ever since graduating from the University of California, Berkeley, when she joined the Peace Corps. Her tour was in Botswana, in southern Africa. After graduating from Fordham Law School, she went to the Mississippi Center for Justice, an organization that provides legal services to the state's most marginalized. This was the beginning of her law career and helping the needy.

She has served as a law clerk, worked for the National Labor Relations Board, and the House Committee on Education and Labor, and moved to San Diego in 2017 to serve as Deputy City Attorney.

That became a step toward her current service on the San Diego City Council, She was first elected in 2020 and re-elected in 2024.

Given her public service career, the current political climate contributed to her decision to seek the Congressional seat.

"I was devastated by the chaos that Donald Trump is reeking on communities," she replied when asked about her motivation.

As examples, she listed ICE raids and prices on everything from gas and groceries going up.

"And the war is the last straw ripping away affordable housing and life," she added.

On her website, Von Wilpert discusses a dozen issues that she believes matter to voters throughout the District. These range from protecting affordable healthcare and social security, raising wages and lower costs, to tackling the housing crisis and stopping environmental destruction.

She is gay and recently engaged, no children yet, thus defending reproductive freedom and protecting LGBTQ+ rights are high priority issues also.

"As I have traveled around the District, from Borrego Springs to Palm Springs, I keep hearing that the cost of living is getting out of the realm of realistic," von Wilpert stated.

One city program, which she sponsored, is Housing Opportunities for Public Educators program, HOPE. Her initiative provides housing downpayment grants to educators in her 5th Council District to purchase a home. von Wilpert funds it through a $1 million seed fund from housing developer Lennar.

"None of it is taxpayer funding," she stressed and plans to include other public servants, such as firefighters, police, and ambulance drivers, who need to live in the community.

Many solutions to the various issues would require new or additional spending. However, she is aware of the need to fix the federal deficit.

"It is absolutely out of control and worse under Donald Trump," she began. "First, I would end the war in the Middle East and so far nothing to show for it. It's already cost $29 billion and growing."

"Second, I would collect taxes from the utterly wealthy. They should pay their fair share, too," she added.

Fixing the budget would also require reigning in reckless spending. Her experience as a City Council member has helped her identify budget issues and wasteful spending. As an example, she noted that she has not voted to increase water rates. Needed funds must first come from unneeded programs or staff, she stressed.

She recognizes that this is a competitive race, especially for the Democratic candidates. In a poll last week, she was second to Jim Desmond, the leading Republican candidate. She was the first choice of 16 percent of the respondents compared to Desmond's 27 percent. However, he is the dominant Republican of two in the race, while von Wilpert is competing against nine Democrats.

"Our poll finds that von Wilpert has more than doubled her support since our previous poll conducted in February, rising from 7% to 16%," the poll takers wrote in the results. "Von Wilpert has not only opened up a clear lead among Democrats but has a higher growth ceiling. At the same time, Jim Desmond's overall lead and dominance with Republicans strongly suggests the race is consolidating around one Republican and one Democrat advancing to November."

In the former CD 41, Representative Ken Calvert defeated Democratic challenge Will Rollins in both 2022 and 2024, where he won by only 3.4 percent of the vote.

In the current CD 48, Democrats have a 4.4 percent, or 22,000 voters, lead in registration. In 2024, Republicans had a 1 percent lead in voter registration in the 41st District. This is a shift of 5 percent toward the Democrats.

"It's a tough race. But what is most important is that the strongest Democrat comes through the Primary," von Wilpert said. And last week, one of her opponents, Steven Clemons, withdrew from the race and endorsed von Wilpert.

As of March 31, the latest reporting date for federal campaign financing, von Wilpert had raised $1 million this year. She stated that she raised about another $200,000 to $300,000 in the past month. Her reported expenditures were nearly $500,000. At that time, she had $550,000 in cash for the final two months of the campaign, which is about half of how much Desmond and Riker had at that time.

"We need to ensure that we have the strongest fighter we can," von Wilpert said in concluding the interview. "I have served in the Peace Corps, fought to lower taxes for teachers, ensured that grocery stores have cost saving coupons in the store and not just online. I have a proven track record as a fighter."



Marni von Wilpert

Dia Abrams

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Bonita Vista Ranch, is still on the market with an asking price of $3.5 million. Her two other properties, 15 acres with a mobile home — also on Bonita Vista — and a house on 5 acres on Toolbox Springs Road, have been sold.

The offer stipulated that this would be taken to satisfy all his claims in his petitions for attorney fees and compensation for his stewardship of the ranch during the 3 and a half years in which he lived there, between Dia's disappearance and his eviction in January 2024, but not affect his right to half of the final division of the estate. Harper submitted an accounting in January 2024 asking for nearly $200,000 for loans to the estate, $75,000 for his work maintaining the ranch, and $50,000 for attorney fees.

The offer would require Harper to make a sworn statement that he either purchased or did not steal ten fire arms, a gun safe, and a Faberge egg that belonged to Dia.

The 2020 trust named Harper as trustee and beneficiary, and disinherited Clinton and Crisara. This was disputed in probate court and an agreement was signed splitting the estate between Harper and the two Abrams. The court appointed a third-party trustee in October 2022, and Harper was removed as trustee in later 2023 after he allegedly inquired into listing the Ranch for sale himself.

In December of 2025, Crisara Abrams filed a wrongful death suit against Harper, citing among other things Harper's "contradictory and implausible accounts of what happened to Dia" and his leaving the scene after the first day of search for Dia by local volunteers but before police arrived. The suit alleges that his stated reason for leaving also varied: paying a tax bill in New Mexico, checking in with a probation officer in Colorado, and avoiding arrest for sex-offender registration issues.

The wrongful death suit seems stalled by Abrams' difficulties in serving Harper. In early May her attorneys requested permission to serve Harper by publishing service in two newspapers in San Juan County, New Mexico.





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Still Strange, Still Alive: The Funky Bazaar Evolves

By Sam Markus



In its iconic yellow building uptown, The Funky Bazaar still feels like stepping into another dimension. The three-story labyrinth of oddities, vintage treasures and curiosities remains gloriously strange — but under new ownership, the experience has begun to evolve into something slightly different: a bit more approachable, a little more welcoming, while still preserving the eccentric spirit that made it an Idyllwild institution in the first place.

Peter Buhl, the Bazaar's founder, passed away in 2025 after transforming the building into one of Idyllwild's most recognizable and mysterious spaces. Known for his steampunk hats, punk-rock sensibility and theatrical personality, Buhl cultivated a place that felt part art gallery, part cabinet of wonders and part fever dream.

"He could offend and charm you at the exact same time," new owner Mike Taylor said with a laugh. Taylor first met Buhl after moving to Idyllwild in 2018. By coincidence, he and his wife, Diana Orr — who opened a nearby candle shop — ended up living just up the street from the Bazaar. The two men bonded quickly over punk rock, steampunk aesthetics and a shared appreciation for the unconventional.

Then came the pandemic, and their friendship deepened. Taylor began helping Buhl with gardening projects tied to his vision of creating a more self-sustaining lifestyle around the property. Gardening also became a source of calm for both men. Coming from an intense military background, Taylor understood anxiety firsthand and found that working with plants helped regulate it. He noticed the same effect in Buhl.

Over the years, Taylor would joke that one day he might end up taking over the Bazaar himself. "When Peter passed, suddenly it wasn't a joke anymore," he said. "I felt obligated not to let it disappear."

Today, Taylor is carefully guiding the Bazaar into its next chapter while preserving the strange magnetism that made the space beloved to locals and visitors alike. "The Funky Bazaar is entering a new era," Taylor said, "one that keeps Peter Buhl's love of the strange intact while opening the doors a little wider." Peter's iconic steampunk hat still sits proudly on display inside the shop.

The Funky Bazaar currently hosts around 15 vendors offering everything from high-end artwork and vintage décor to tattoos, handmade crafts and unusual collectibles. Taylor is also developing what he calls the "Interdimensional Shed" out back — an evolving creative space intended to host art happenings — and refurbishing the outdoor stage for music and burlesque shows.

"It becomes a new organism every month," Taylor said. "It's like a vortex." That vortex effect, he says, is part of what makes the Bazaar special. "Somebody can come in having a bad day, and then they're sitting with us for hours after closing feeling better," he said. "I try to make it a personal experience. They came in looking for a candle, and they leave with a different take on life."

For Taylor, that may be the truest way to honor Buhl's legacy: not by freezing The Funky Bazaar in time, but by allowing it to remain exactly what it has always been — weird, alive, and impossible to fully explain.

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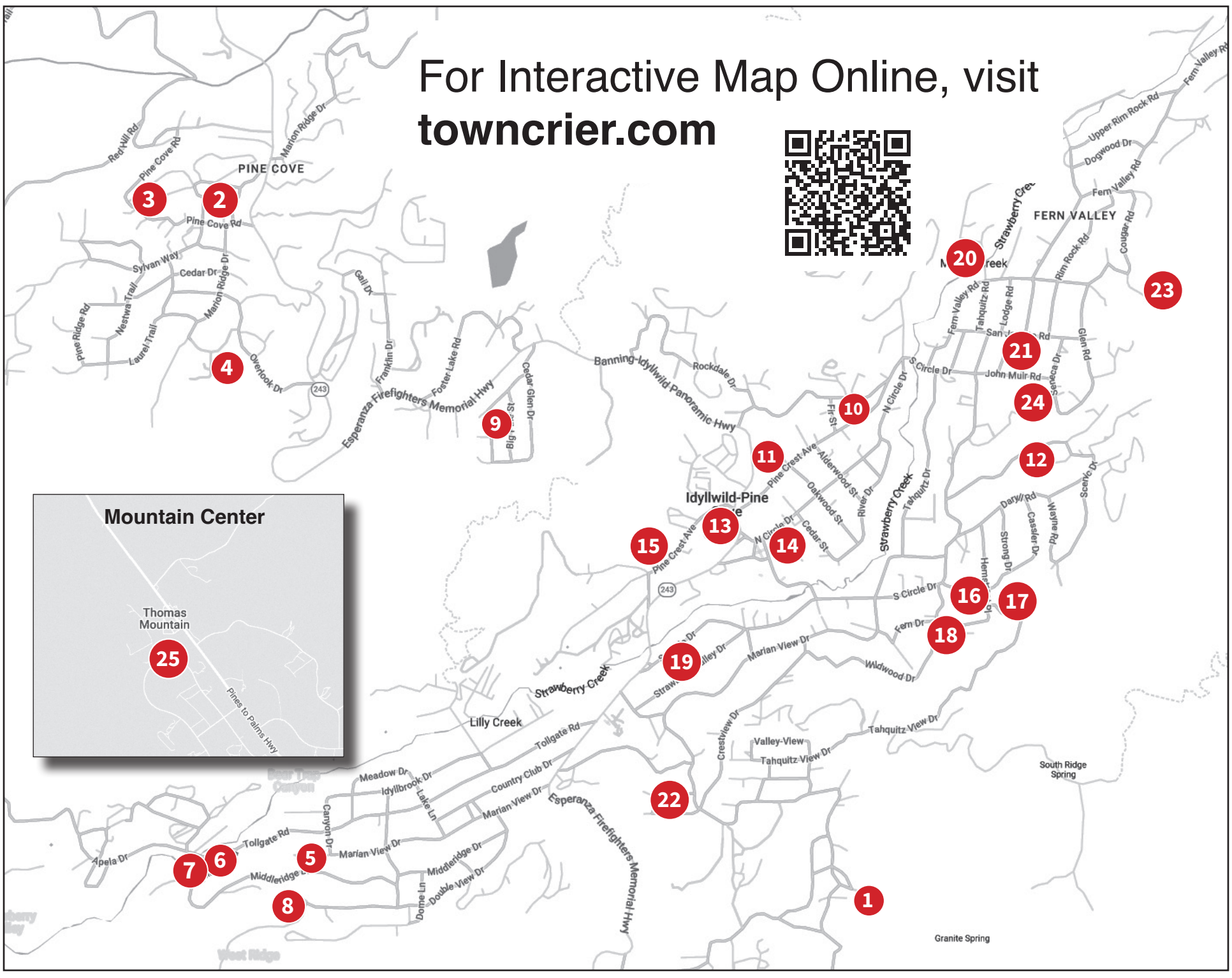
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Original Art & Collectibles

(2) VINTAGE SALE
24945 Marion Ridge Dr, (across 243 from PC fire station)
Sunday 5/24 only, 9am-2pm
ARTIFACTS & COOL STUFF Mission style oak side table, lamps, vintage pillows & linens, faux fur throws. Ikea small fridge new in box! Ronco Showtime vintage electric oven, barely used. Rattan woven blanket storage baskets with lids, two snow boogie boards used once, new in boxes contemporary concrete breeze block (bought for outdoor wall or shower). Vintage posters and frames, Women's clothing sz 6-8. Parking on street, walk up front stairs to patio

(3) VINTAGE SALE
at 52620 Pine Cove Rd (park on Pine Cove or in four spaces behind on Chickadee).
May 22-23, 9am - 4pm
Furniture includes 9ft couch with ottoman, loveseat, chair, coffee table, dining table with inserts and four chairs, end tables, dresser, and lamps. Vintage Navajo chests, Mexican rugs, 1940s glasses and bowls. Also outdoor table, dog crate, 12 ft. ladder, Boston Acoustics system, plus MORE STUFF!

(4) YARD SALE
25423 Hotei Ln, Pine Cove
Sale - Sat. 5/23 11a-5p and Sun. 5/24 9a-3p
LOTS of clothing and shoes (MANY items still with tags!), furniture (indoor & patio), antique display case, gently used robot and stick vacuums and other small appliances, stainless steel kitchen prep table, light fixtures, electronics, VINYL records and turntables, CDs, DVDs and more!

(5) VINTAGE SALE
26855 Canyon Drive
Sat 23rd & Sun 24th, 9-3pm
Join us for a massive Yard Sale Memorial weekend. Sat 23rd & Sun 24th, 9-3pm at 26855 Canyon Drive. Cross-street Canyon Dr/W. Marion View. Featuring vintage toys, games, antique chairs, some furniture, construction items. Low prices, cash only or Zelle

(6) YARD SALE
52760 Idyllmont Road
Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Jewelry, Paintings, Dishes, Crystal, books, Clohtes, Tools, Household itmes, Suzuki 4 HP Outboard Motor with cart, and mint condition Wyman Baby Grand Piano

(7) ESTATE SALE
52596 Idyllmont Rd
Fri-Sat, May 23-24, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
ESTATE SALE
Everything must go!

(8) YARD SALE
53050 Double View
Fri -Sun 9 - 4
Beautiful things. French daybed with 6 wicker storage baskets, Queen duvet, shams, sheet sets, paintings, golden wall mirror, 2 night tables, yarn, needles, chair massager, Weber Spirit Gas Grill, Stihl elec. chainsaw and hedge trimmer, DeWalt battery Weed Wacker.

(9) YARD SALE
25628 Big Pine St
Thurs 21st thru Mon 25th 8-5
Lots of kids items, collectables, women's clothes sizes XS-4X, Scenty Sale, Origami Jewelry Sale and Lu La Roe kids to adults all sizes to include Disney and Holiday clothes. CD, VCR tapes. To inquire about specific collectible items being sold please call (760)910-3617. Sale will continue following weekend Thursday 28th thru Sunday 31st.

(10) YARD SALE
54740 Pine Crest Avenue
Fri. Sat. & Sun. 8-2 (or thereabouts)
Everything Priced To Move! Antique furniture, tools, electronics, computers, records, kitchen items, natural slate stone, set of five tires and wheels, and other treasures.

(11) CHURCH YARD SALE
25860 Highway 243/ Pinecrest Ave.
Thurs.-Fri. 5/22-23, 7am-7pm, Sat. 5/24, 7am-2pm
Uttermost Yard Sale at Idyllwild Bible Church

(12) VINTAGE SALE
25475 Scenic Drive
SATURDAY ONLY May 23, 2026 9am - 2 pm
A VINTAGE CABIN YARD SALE Antiques & collectibles, art, dishes, books, rugs, Ephemera, kitchen, furniture, designer mags, home decor, garden, lights, costumes, TEEN BOOTH-clothes & accessories. Coffee bar while you shop!

(13) YARD SALE
25965 Highway 243 Units A-D.
Fri.-Mon. May 22-25, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Idyllwild's StopLight Annual Memorial Day Sale event, 10-50% off storewide

(14) YARD SALE
54245 N Circle Dr
Fri-Sun 10-2
STUFF FOR SALE! Furniture, Comics, Knick Knacks, and more! Fri-Sun 10-2 in the Red Rabbit parking lot.

(15) YARD SALE
54084 Pine Crest Ave
Sat/ Sunday from 8am-4pm
Brewing equipment, tools, furniture, drum set kit, treadmill, kids items and many other treasures.

(16) YARD SALE
26141 Hemstreet Place
8am - 1pm, Fri, Sat
Household Items, Men's Clothing, Vinyl Records, Electronics, Media, Books, Art

(17) YARD SALE
55270 Tahquitz View Dr
SAT, SUN 5/23-24, 9 am
Great variety! BOOKS from $2 to 1st edition Bronte ART / frames! Kids; Fashion XS-M Madewell, Sezanne, Anthro more; Lladro / NEW $5 hoodies + NEW $2 tees all sizes; Dollar Bins! Treasures!

(18) YARD SALE
26205 Hemstreet Pl
Sat & Sun, 8am -1pm
Part yard sale, part treasure hunt, part storage-locker reveal. Packed with years of accumulated "too-good-to-donate" finds: Electra cruiser bike, Bosch dishwasher, art, frames, camping gear, useful stuff, mystery finds & who-knows-what from deep storage. Like American Pickers' cheaper.

(19) VINTAGE SALE
54160 Strawberry Valley Drive
Friday, May 22, 9 am - 1 pm / Saturday, May 23, 9 am - 1 pm. No early birds
Patio furniture, washer/ dryer, stove, BBQ, tables, Misc. household items, Vintage items. It's the guys you love, come see us!

(20) YARD SALE
25105 Tahquitz Road
Saturday & Sunday May 23 an 24 8a
YARD SALE 25105 Tahquitz Road Antiques, fine clothing, succulents and much more

(21) VINTAGE SALE
25425 Rim Rock Road
8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 22 and 23
Collectibles: Arts and Crafts Ironware, Furniture, Glassware, Jars of Jewelry, Mirrored Victorian wall hangers, Vintage women's coats, and More!

(22) YARD SALE
54061 Linger Lane
Sat 8am - 4pm, Sun 8am - 2pm
Join us this Memorial Day weekend for a fantastic yard sale packed with great deals! What You'll Find: Furniture TV Kids toys & clothes Women's Clothes And much more! Don't miss out on amazing bargains!

(23) VINTAGE SALE
25270 Cougar Rd
Fri/Sat 5/22-23 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Final sale! Huge house with unique, quality items in every room. Furniture includes stunning canopy bed, king & queen frames, designer sconces & chandeliers, gorgeous daybed, rare Italian clock, dressers, storage closets, vintage sofa, indoor/outdoor tables, dining chairs & twin beds. Huge book collection, art, cookbook collection, great women,Äôs clothing, kitchen items, electric dryer, electric cooktop, double wall oven, bathtub, beautiful decor and more! No junk.

(24) ESTATE SALE
55175 John Muir Rd

Estate sale! Furniture and other household items

(25) YARD SALE
59292 Donna Mae Pl, Mountain Center, CA 92561
SAT & SUN 8:00am - 3:00pm
GV YARD SALE 2 kayaks, kids toys, household items, clothes, and miscellaneous treasures.

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Horoscopes

May 2026 — Week 3



March 21 – April 19
An unexpected development could change the Arian's perspective on a potential investment. Keep an open mind. Ignore the double talk and act only on the facts.



April 20 – May 20
A surge of support helps you keep your long-standing commitment to colleagues who rely on you for guidance. Ignore any attempts to get you to ease up on your efforts.



May 21 – June 21
Family continues to be a dominant factor, but career matters also take on new importance. You might even be able to combine elements of the two in some surprising, productive way!



June 22 – July 22
A realistic view of a workplace or personal situation helps you deal with it more constructively once you know where the truth lies. Meanwhile, reserve the weekend for someone special.



July 23 – August 22
As much as you LEOs or LEOnas might be intrigued by the "sunny" prospects being touted for a potential investment, be careful that you don't allow the glare to blind you to its essential details.



August 23 – September 22
A friend's problem brings out the VIRGO's nurturing nature in full force. However, don't go it alone. Allow others to pitch in and help share the responsibilities you've assumed.



September 23 – October 22
A business decision might need to be put off until a colleague's personal matter is resolved. Use this time to work on another business matter that you've been anxious to get to.



October 23 – November 21
Relationships (personal or professional) might appear to be stalled because of details that keep cropping up and need tending to. Be patient. A path begins to clear by midweek.



November 22 – December 21
A promotion could cause resentment among envious colleagues. But others recognize how hard you worked to earn it and will be there to support you if you need them.



December 22 – January 19
A delicate personal matter needs both your wisdom and your warmth. Expect some setbacks, but stay with it. The outcome will more than justify your efforts.



January 20 – February 18
Resist the temptation to cut corners just because time is short. It's best to move ahead step by step so you don't overlook anything that might later create time-wasting complications.



February 19 – March 20
Use the good will that you recently earned with a well-received project to pitch your ideas for a new project. Expect some tough competition, though, from an unlikely source.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Answers to puzzles found on B3

MAGIC MAZE ● MIDDLE —

R Z W T Q N K H D A X U R P M
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A X V T A Q M O M J H Y F C A
Y W U R P O E E W N L A J H L
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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: **First Letter of Your Middle Name**

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America	East	Names	School
Class	Ground	Of the day	Weight
Distance	Income	Of the road	

King Crossword

ACROSS
1 Detox center
6 Gives up
12 Swiss metropolis
13 Unexpected
14 Ingratiate
15 Stahl of "60 Minutes"
16 Disposition
17 "La — Bonita"
19 Casual shirt
20 Third son
22 Capote nickname
24 Canine greeting
27 Furnace fuel
29 Branches
32 President of South Africa, 1994-1999
35 Pronto
36 Monumental
37 Half dozen
38 Fannie —
40 Former Laker Lamar
42 Sashimi fish
44 Neatnik's nightmare
46 Jazzy James
50 Legislative group
52 Camelot king
54 Aerie newborn
55 Organize an art show
56 Pueblo structures
57 Recognizes

DOWN
1 Nevada city
2 Within (Pref.)
3 Obeys
4 "Selma" director DuVernay
5 Male singing voice
6 Humpty's perch
7 Skip — (flutter)
8 Tax-collecting org.
9 Birds of prey
10 Duel tool
11 Ocular woe
12 Tiara jewel
18 Rug cleaner
21 — -friendly
23 "Awesome, dude!"
24 Navarro of "The View"
25 Scale members
26 Pink wading bird
28 Relaxed
30 Roman 1051
31 Coltrane's instrument
33 Aromatherapy spot
34 Sgt., e.g.
39 Lauder of cosmetics
41 Paris subway
42 Cruising
43 Lettuce unit
45 Reply to "Shall we?"
47 Spring meltdown
48 Mild rebukes
49 "How — you?"
51 Cleric's tunic
53 Scamper



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	WED 5/20	THURS 5/21	FRI 5/22	SAT 5/23	SUN 5/24	MON 5/25	TUES 5/26
BUTTERFIELD 54750 N Circle Dr					Silverados 5:00pm		
CAFE AROMA 54750 N Circle Dr		Nathan James 5:30pm-8:30pm			The ArisTrioCrats 5:30pm-8:30pm		
FERRO 25840 Cedar St							Jazz NIght 6-9pm
LEANNA'S IDYLL-AWHILE 54245 N Circle	Kevin Kertin 11-3 pm		Kevin Kertin 11-3 pm	Kevin Kertin 11-3pm	Cole WIthers 11-3pm	Cole WIthers 11-3pm	
LILY'S 54905 N Circle Dr			Stereo Purr 8:30 pm				
MIDDLE RIDGE WINERY 54301 N Circle Dr			Seahawk | Jazz Quartet 4-7 pm	Rock & Pop | Spare Change 3-6 pm	Classic Rock, Country, Dance | One-2-Many 2-5pm		
TARYN'S PLACE 54200 N Circle Dr Unit A3		TBA 7-10pm	Vincent's Choice 7-10pm	Francesca Brown 7-10pm	J * Ezra Trio 7-10pm	Nathan James 7-10pm	
THE PEAK RESTAURANT 54200 N Circle Dr Unit A3		Kevin Kertin 5:30-7:30pm					Taco Tuesday w/ Music 5:30-7:30pm

ICC Sports: Edge-of-Your-Seat Game Finishers in the Minor League; Dark Knights off to a Good Start in the Major League

By Johnny Wilson
ICC Director of Programs and Recreation

After two weeks of ICC Youth Baseball, we are beginning to see who is who in both the Major League (ages 11-14) and the Minor League (ages 7-10). Meanwhile, the Tee-Ball League (ages 4-6) is just getting warmed up.

Major League (ages 11-14)

After the Green Monsters' (sponsored by Idyllwild Daycare) opening-game 1-0 loss to the Dark Knights (sponsored by Pines to Palms Electric) last week, they were ready to see what they can accomplish against the White Fluffy Unicorns (sponsored by Fairway Foods Market) who were playing their season-opening game against them last Monday May 11th.

The game was getting close when Maya Smith of the White Fluffy Unicorns hit a 2-RBI single to edge them closer to a tied game with a score of 5-3 in the second inning.

Then came the final inning. The Green Monsters' smart batters earned them several walks to load up the bases – then an RBI single by Chance Griffin helped seal the deal as the Green Monsters scored 7 runs and got the three outs they needed to end the game.

Assistant Coach Beth Iyaman of the Green Monsters shines a light on one of her players: "Meadow Griffin, wearing #6 for the Green Monsters, shined as our standout player. She brought exceptional sportsmanship to the field and delivered two incredible plays. Beyond her athletic skill, Meadow is a steady source of encouragement for her teammates, always offering supportive words and lifting the team's spirit. Her great attitude, enthusiasm, and sense of fun make her not just a strong player, but a true spark of positivity for the Green Monsters."

The Monday, May 11 Final Score was Green Monsters 12, White Fluffy Unicorns 3.

Last Wednesday's Major League game was again the White Fluffy Unicorns (this time as the visiting team) going against the home team, the Dark Knights.

The Unicorns struck first with 1 run in the opening inning, but the Dark Knights answered back quickly as their first three batters earned walks to load up the bases, then it was Lawrence Howell and Jaxx Foye whose base hits brought in multiple RBI's and got their team to reach the 5-run maximum per inning for the Dark Knights (there is no limit to runs scored in the final inning).

Then great defensive plays and powerful pitching from both teams kept the score the same until the final inning.

The Wednesday, May 13 Final Score was White Fluffy Unicorns 1, Dark Knights 5.

Major League Standings (W-L):

Dark Knights	(2-0)
Green Monsters	(1-1)
White Fluffy Unicorns	(0-2)

Minor League (ages 7-10)

In the Minor League, the coaches pitch to their own players. There are many talented young hitters in this league. The challenge at this age is more about defense – getting the outs.

Last Monday's Minor League game was between the visiting team the Hornets (sponsored by Lily's) going against the home team the Padres (sponsored by Black Mountain Coffee).

The Hornets batted first and got a season-record of 8 consecutive base hits in the first inning. Hunter Adams and Tru Hartman both contributed with doubles to put the Hornets quickly up 5-1.

The second inning was all Padres – Vera Howell (who ended the day with 3 base hits and 2 RBI's) set the tone for the Padres, as Harper Ballou and Logan Bayer followed with base hits and RBI's of their own to tie the score 6-6 at the end of the second inning.

The Hornets were not discouraged – in the final inning they slammed home another 4 runs with the help of Courtney Duke, Kamila Wilson, and Aimee O'Brien to put them up 10-6. However it was the Padres who had the last at-bat and a chance to tie the game and possibly win.

The final inning was going well for the Padres as they loaded up the bases and got a run in quickly – the score now 10-7 with runners on base and 1 out.

Then in a blink of an eye, a couple of brilliant defensive plays from the Hornets got them the three outs they needed to end the game. The Padres' momentum was stopped by a defensive sting from the Hornets.

Monday May 11th, Final Score:
Hornets – 10
Padres – 7

That was an exciting game, however the "Game of the Week" occurred last Wednesday May 13th between the visiting team the Pirates (sponsored by Pure Bean) facing off against the home team the Mountain Cubs (sponsored by Dutch Touch Design).

Mountain Cubs Coach Manny Garcia explains what happened: "I have heard that sometimes life hides the good stuff in obvious places just to see if you are paying attention. Top Field is one of those places. Last Wednesday the Mountain Cubs lost a heartbreaker to the Pirates, 9-6. But if all you saw was the score, then you missed the point entirely.

"Bottom of the last inning. The Cubbies were mounting a comeback. Two runners on. The tying run looming. Two outs. Our best hitter, Uriah Guy, standing in the on-deck circle after already launching a home run earlier in the game. Brody Beneke up to the plate with every Cubs fan on the Hill quietly thinking the same thing: 'Don't hit the ball to third base, Brody.'

"But Pirates third baseman Blithe Kenyon had apparently decided that Hollywood endings were overrated and she'd had enough of these Wrigley Field interlopers. Blithe had already made two spectacular outs earlier in the inning, and when the ball found her glove yet again, you could almost see the gears turn instantly. No panic. No hesitation. She knew exactly what needed to happen: force out at third. A quick look over to first base, then she takes off like a mountain lion toward third base, she beats the runner to the bag, and just like that — game over. Not 'little league game over'. Real baseball 'game over'.

"There is a rumor that Assistant Coach David Kenyon woke up the next morning still smiling and that Blithe's performance may have significantly increased her leverage in future pony-related negotiations.

"This was the kind of baseball where every kid on the field suddenly realizes this game can be dramatic, beautiful, and heartbreaking all at once. The hidden magic at Top Field is never just baseball. It's the sight of kids discovering courage in real time. It's competitors respecting each other and showing up just to support. It's adults behaving like, well, adults. It's a mountain town gathering around something wholesome and human for a couple of hours before heading home for dinner.

"And that really is the story. Sometimes the good stuff isn't hidden at all. Sometimes it's sitting right there at third base waiting for you to see it."

The Wednesday May 13 Final Score was Pirates 9, Mountain Cubs 6.

Minor League Standings (W-L):

Hornets	(2-0)
Padres	(1-1)
Pirates	(1-1)
Mountain Cubs	(0-2)

Tee-Ball League (ages 4-6)

In the Tee-Ball League, the young players shined bright in their second round of games last Wednesday, May 13, as the Dirt Devils (sponsored by Idyllwild Electric) took on the Tee-Rexes (sponsored by AstroCamp) in the Infield Game.

In the Outfield Game, simultaneously, it was the Wildlings (sponsored by Idyllwild Brewpub) going against the Mini Bears (sponsored by Pharos Athletic Club) in an exciting match-up.

The Tee-Rexes has some terrific plays on both sides of the plate – great batting power and great job in the infield.

The Dirt Devils' proved their grounds at the plate with some great base hits and superb base running. Coach Jared Trimble was impressed by his team's performance and especially one of his star players in particular, Amelia Lee: "She has shown great commitment and enthusiasm for Tee-Ball. She is a fantastic all-around player. Amelia has especially great throwing control in the field and is always the loudest voice cheering on her teammates."

After an exciting back-and-forth match-up in the Outfield Game, Wildlings Assistant Coach Gayle Hilgris highlighted two of her players for an exceptional job well done:

"Zion Hernandez brought great energy this week and showed a positive attitude every time he stepped up to play. Haven Leih showed great dedication and enthusiasm this week, looking sharp on the field and bringing a big smile."

Great job to all the young players, and great job to all the coaches!More games next week. Stay tuned.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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75 years ago - 1951

Sportland, in the village center, put up umbrella tables outside by the pool.

70 years ago - 1956

Seven students graduated from Idyllwild Elementary School: Gary Bischof, Janet Froehlich, Dianne Granger, Diane Hunt, Marianne McConnell, Linda Michelsen and Carolyn Waltrip.

65 years ago - 1961

A new state park trail was being built from Deer Springs to Fuller Ridge.

60 years ago - 1966

Plans for the county airport system called for an Idyllwild airport on a 60-acre site, most likely situated in Garner Valley. The plan never came to fruition.

55 years ago - 1971

The U.S. Forest Service and the California Department of Parks and Recreation announced that a permit would soon be required for hiking and camping in the roadless areas of national forest lands in California.

50 years ago - 1976

A cook shack in Eleanor Park called "The Broiler in the Park" served up hamburgers, hot dogs, corn dogs and French fries every day for lunch and dinner.

45 years ago - 1981

Idyllwild lost a landmark of sorts when "the chimney" situated beyond High Castle was torn down to make way for construction of a new house. The chimney had been a popular meditation spot for locals since the house around it burned down in 1953.

40 years ago - 1986

Bumper to bumper traffic was reported at the entrance to Lake Hemet Campground over the Memorial Day Weekend. More than 4,300 people registered at the campground that weekend.

35 years ago - 1991

A group of Hill residents was holding meetings to discuss the imminent lack of a resident physician in Idyllwild, following Dr. Edward Reder's announcement that he would be closing his Fern Valley Corners office.

30 years ago - 1996

The Town Crier moved to Village Center Drive. Long-time residents may recall that the building originally housed the Forest Service from 1970 until 1985, when the agency moved to its present ranger station on Pine Crest Avenue.

25 years ago - 2001

More than 200 people were on hand on a cool, misty Memorial Day to witness the annual American Legion Post 800 ceremony to honor those who have died serving the U.S. in war time.

20 years ago - 2006

Idyllwild Water District dedicated its solar plant. The 44-kilowatt solar array powers six of the district's wells and its filtration plant.

15 years ago - 2011

Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff announced the potential layoff of up to 800 personnel. Cuts were planned in order to balance his budget for the next fiscal year as directed by the county executive.

10 years ago - 2016

The commissioners of Idyllwild Fire Protection District voted to establish a Joint Powers Authority with the city San Jacinto, providing fire and emergency medical service to the valley city. The agreement, which never went into effect, was expected to save San Jacinto $400,000 and IFPD $160,000.

5 years ago - 2021

As county hospitalization rates for COVID-19 remained high, the Town Crier printed an op-ed by an OB-GYN opining that that the pandemic was man-made and the result of gain-of-function research, and that the available vaccines were dangerous.

1 year ago - 2024

The County Board of Supervisors voted to approve $75,000 to complete construction of the Idyllwild Community Center. The money came from the Unincorporated Communities Initiative, at the request of Supervisor V. Manuel Perez.

Students of the Week



KINSEY KRETSINGER

Idyllwild School is pleased to announce the top students in 7th grade:

Kinsey Kretsinger & **Hazel Mocerino** (Not Pictured)

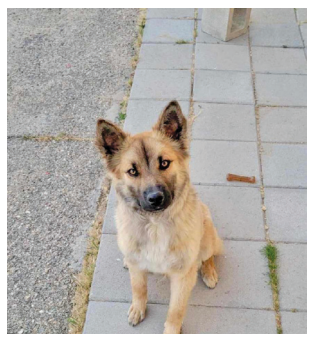
Congratulations to these students and we recognize them for their hard work!

Creature Corner

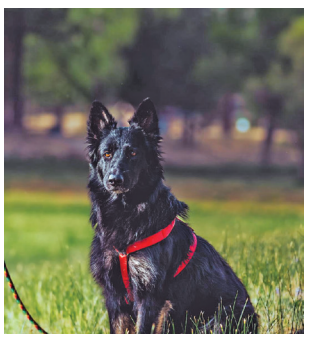
Last week in Days of Our Nine Lives, the ARF cats visited with new ARF cat Honey.



HONEY



MILO



STAR

Pepper: We have a new ARF family member, and this time it isn't a kitten!

Sequoia: Really? Is it a cat?

Pepper: No, this time it's another dog! Oh! Here he comes now.

MIlo: Hello! I'm Milo, and I'm new here.

Honey: Welcome! What can you tell us about yourself?

Milo: Happily! I am just about a year old, house trained, good on a leash, and I really like other dogs. I also play fetch (and actually return the toy), like going on walks, and very much enjoy playing.

Star: How nice that anyone looking for a canine companion now has two wonderful choices at ARF, you-n-me!

Honey: You are both so beautiful.

Milo: I've been told I'm cute.

Honey: Yes Milo, you are cute. And you are very affectionate.

Star: You and I both will be wonderful family members, hopefully very soon.

Pepper: And I think you'll both be great companions, walking partners, and sources of unwavering love.

Honey: Now that is an offer few could refuse.

Sequoia: I think ARF has the perfect addition to any family, be it cat, kitten, or dog!

This week's Creature Corner is sponsored by Janey Mason. 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.





Top: *Harper Ballou is up to bat for the Padres. Hornets catcher Kamila Wilson awaits the pitch.*

Left: *Post-game handshakes between the Padres (brown) and the Hornets (yellow). The Hornets beat the Padres 10-7 last Monday May 11th.*

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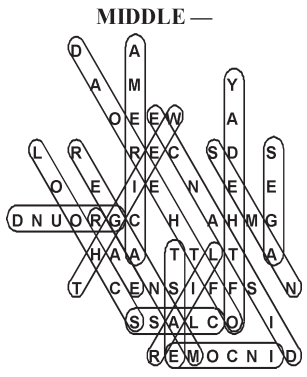
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Couple recall 2001 rescue, first by RSO high altitude helicopter

By David Jerome

A Hermosa Beach Couple visited our office this week to tell us about a 2001 hike with their two golden retrievers that ended with what was reported at the time as the first hoisting rescue by one of Riverside Sheriff Office's then-new high elevation helicopters.

Alan and Mary Ann Benson had hiked the South Ridge trail to Tahquitz some two years earlier, but dry conditions had made the trail harder to recognize as it crossed bare granite and gravel. They made it to the meadow, but got lost on their way down, and after several hours called 911.

The dispatcher told them that they would send help, but that the helicopter would not be able to take their dogs. This left the Bensons apprehensive, worrying as they waited that they would lose their animals. But when the copter arrived the rescuers first winched Alan up, then the dogs in a cargo net. The dogs, Alan recounts, were not brought into the aircraft but left dangling, slowly spinning in the net as the helicopter made the brief trip to Keenwild. The craft then returned for Mary Ann.

The Bensons were informed that the new helicopter had just been certified and this was their first actual hoist rescue. Before that time, helicopters could help locate lost hikers and then drop off rescuers, who would either walk them out to a trail head or a safe landing area, often with the help of Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit volunteers.

The Bensons still get emotional recounting the events of that day, and say that they send Christmas cards every year to the dispatcher who took their call, and to RSO. They also keep a copy of the photograph that appeared in the Town Crier of them and their dogs in a frame in their bedroom, "as a reminder of just how quickly your life can change."

Alan recounts that he was a neighborhood watch captain in Hermosa Beach for a decade, and an Emergency Preparedness Commissioner there for even longer, and has a great appreciation for the work of first responders.

Mary Ann pointed out an amusing possible confusion in the November 29,2001 Town Crier article about the incident: the caption of the photograph said the readers might recognize Mary Ann from "her role" in the NBC daytime television drama Passions. Ms. Benson tells us that she was a video editor for that series and General Hospital, and a member of the Directors Guild, but stayed behind the cameras during her career.



The Bensons in the Town Crier, laways remebering just how quickly things can change.

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