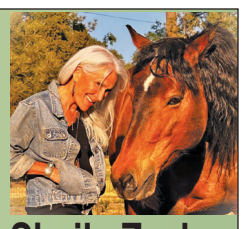
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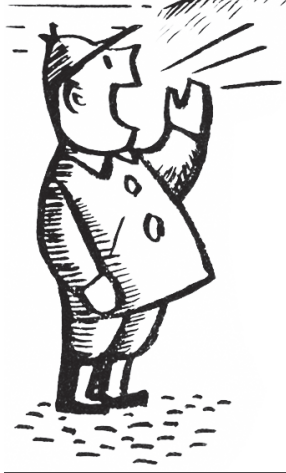
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Governor signs bill to separate Riverside County coroner from sheriff

By JP Crumrine
Correspondent

On Sept. 30, the last day possible, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Senate Bill 1379, which requires the Riverside County Board of Supervisors to separate the sheriff's and coroner's offices by July 1, 2027.

The new law also establishes an independent office of a medical examiner whom the Board of Supervisors will be required to appoint. This official must be a licensed physician and surgeon qualified as a specialist in pathology.

SB 1379 additionally makes clear requirements for the county to publicly report information regarding in-custody deaths on its website. An initial incident report must be posted on its website within 24 hours of the occurrence of an in-custody death, and a preliminary report is to be posted on the website within 72 hours. The county also would be required to notify the deceased individual's next of kin regarding the cause of death within 72 hours of the determination of the cause.

State Sen. Sabrina Cervantes, whose District 31 extends from San Jacinto to Corona in Riverside County, introduced SB 1379 in February. The Senate initially passed it in May. The Assembly approved it, with some amendments, by a 59-19 vote in August. The next day, the senate voted to approve it again and it was sent to Gov. Newsom, who waited a month before approving the bill.

"Senate Bill 1379 —which is a targeted solution to fix a long-broken system in my home county of Riverside—has been a long time coming," Cervantes said in a press release. "The goal of this new law is simple: When an individual dies in custody in a Riverside County jail, their family and the public deserve transparency. We owe the families the truth; we owe our communities accountability; and we owe county taxpayers a system they can trust."

Locally, state Sen. Kelly Seyarto was one of ten Republicans who opposed SB 1379 both times in the Senate. Local Assemblymembers Greg Wallis and Jeff Gonzalez, were two of 19 Republicans who voted against it.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department also opposed SB 1379.

In an August letter to Cervantes, the City of Palm Desert voiced its opposition to SB 1379. "Our opposition is not to independent determinations of in-custody deaths or to appropriate accountability measures. Our concern is with requiring Riverside County alone to reorganize its governmental structure when existing law already establishes an independent process for in-custody death determinations and provides a local mechanism for reconsidering structural separation," Palm Desert Mayor Evan Trubee wrote.

The coroner has been part of the Sheriff's Department since 1999. In recent years – 2023 and 2024 – the Riverside County Supervisors have considered the matter twice.

Several years ago, the county's Executive Office concluded that the change would not address the concerns raised by the public and would add to the county's cost. The Board of Supervisors unanimously concurred and voted against separating the coroner from the Sheriff's Department.

But now the county must implement this reorganization, which will require planning and time.

"Creating a new County department and

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Local veterinarian Lorraine Kassarjian returned from a working vacation in Zambia, where one of the highlights was helping put a radio collar on a lion. Read more on Page B1
PHOTO COURTESY LORRAINE KASSARJIAN

NBC Palm Springs visits Town Crier office for National Newspaper Week

David Jerome
Editor

A reporter from NBC Palm Springs visited the Town Crier's office this past Sunday as part of the station's coverage of National Newspaper Week. Multimedia journalist and weathercaster Kai Beech interviewed your editor, who hopes that Beech's editing skills will render a coherent narrative from the footage.

At one point, Beech posed me in front of a portrait of Town Crier founder Ernie Maxwell and asked what I thought Maxwell would think if he could see the paper still running and approaching its 80th anniversary. I stumbled through some anodyne statement like "I hope he'd be happy" before coming up with the right answer from a newsman: "I hate to speculate."

The item (I have been warned it will be brief) will likely be broadcast and available on the station's website (nbcpalmsprings.com) by the time this paper is in your hands.

District honors Idyllwild School 'lunch lady' Sonya Dravenstatt

By JP Crumrine
Correspondent

Last week, Idyllwild School recognized Nutrition Manager Sonya Dravenstatt as an Employee of Excellence. She has worked at the school for 25 years.

"Sonya has been a heart and soul pillar of our school community," the district said in a press release. "Known affectionately by students as "the lunch lady," Sonya brings warmth, a bright smile, and an infectious positive energy to the cafeteria every single day."

"Her commitment to our school extends far beyond meal service—she has served on the Wellness Committee and was an active PTA member, always advocating for the well-being and happiness of our kids," Hemet Unified School District said in the press release announcing her honor.

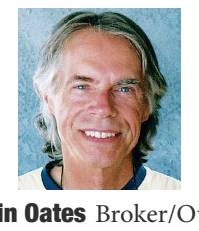
"A true team player with an exceptional work ethic, Sonya consistently earns the highest ratings on kitchen inspections while keeping her environment welcoming, safe, and fun.

"We are deeply grateful for her hard work, her unwavering dedication, and the genuine love she shows our students each and every day. Sonya truly embodies what it means to be an Employee of Excellence."



Sonya Dravenstatt
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Prop. 2 would increase 'rainy day fund' limit

By JP Crumrine
Contributor

Proposition 2 is a proposed state constitutional amendment that would increase the state's "rainy day fund." Voters approved the establishment of the Fund in 2014.

Currently, the California state constitution requires the state to annually deposit 0.75 percent of its general fund tax revenues into the state's main rainy day fund, which is called the Budget Stabilization Account. After the fund is equal to 10 percent of general fund taxes, there is a cap or limit. The requirement to supplement the rainy day fund is no longer in effect. Money in the fund can be used for any state program.

Prop. 2 raises both the annual transfer limit to 1.5 percent of tax revenues and the total size to 20 percent of general fund taxes. It also authorizes larger deposits in years when tax revenues from capital gains are very high, as in years when the stock market is booming.

Prop. 2 also changes how the deposits are treated in state budget accounting. If Prop. 2 is passed, deposits into the rainy day fund would not count toward the state appropriations limit. Only when funds are taken out of the fund would this amount count toward the appropriations limit.

The purpose of the rainy day fund is to ensure a balanced budget. The state constitution requires the legislature to pass a balanced budget each year. When tax revenue declines significantly, the fund can help continue support for various education, health and human services programs.

Passage of Prop 2 would also require the state to make extra debt payments through 2040, instead of through 2030.

One of the arguments made by proponents of Prop. 2 is that when revenues are higher, more funds must go into the rainy day fund. This would provide less extra money for legislators to spend. They also say that the measure is supported by both Republicans and Democrats.

Opponents, however, counter that revenue surpluses should be returned to taxpayers through rebates rather than saved and used in the future.

"Sacramento doesn't need a new tool to save money," opponents write. "It needs the discipline to follow the rules already in place and stop spending money it doesn't have."

Supporters reply that Prop 2 is intended to mitigate the effects of "boom-and-bust" budget cycles. "Proposition 2 does not give Sacramento any new money to spend," they say, "On the contrary, it doubles the state's reserve requirement and forces more savings — rather than new spending — when tax revenues spike."

In mid-September, when the Public Policy Institute of California released its latest poll, they found 60 percent of likely voters would vote yes.

Across demographic characteristics, such as age or education, a majority of each group supports Prop 2. However, there is a significant partisan difference. While about 82 percent of Democrats and 60 percent of independents would vote yes, only 20 percent of Republicans support it.

As of Sept. 28, no campaign finance committees for or against Prop. 2 were registered with the secretary of state.

Forest Folk Shuttle makes voting easier

Dear editor:

Voter uncertainty is the new normal. A reluctance to vote is the most serious consequence of our current political climate. Yet there's never been a more important opportunity for citizens to voice their concerns. Voting early makes it less likely the Midterm results will be challenged.

Idyllwild Forest Folk shuttle service will offer an added incentive to take the FF van to Idyllwild Library to drop off mail-in ballots in a secure Ballot box. After submitting a ballot and obtaining an "I Voted" sticker, passengers will be transported to Idyllwild Nature Center.

The Friends of San Jacinto Mountain County Parks will provide a brief talk on the health benefits of "Forest Bathing" followed by a guided walk or time spent sitting on the Bird deck. Free admission and refreshments will be included to acknowledge riders' civic engagement in the election process.

The FF shuttle schedule for the Midterm election will be:

1. Wednesday, October 14, 21, and 28, with pickups at 1:00pm and departure to Nature Center at 1:30pm. Passengers will leave the Nature Center at 2:30pm to return home.

2. Tuesday, November 3, transportation to the Polling Place at Idyllwild Library will be made by reservation, between 1:00pm-3:00pm.

Mary Rider
Idyllwild

End of customs exemption means higher prescription drug costs

Dear editor:

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has a dangerous new rule beginning Oct. 22 that will threaten the healthcare of millions of Americans. The rule, "Indefinite Suspension of the De Minimis Exemption for Mail Shipments," will effectively end Americans' ability to personally import their prescription medicines.

Importing prescription drugs from licensed international pharmacies is the only lifeline for seniors on limited incomes, people with high-deductible health plans, and the uninsured. That's why CBP and the FDA have allowed it for decades. Due to the much lower cost of medications in Canada and other countries, imported medicine is their only option.

Many imported drugs can be less than half the U.S. price. These necessary medicines prevent blood clots, treat diabetes, and much more. This CBP rule will cut off access to the only affordable prescription drugs for millions, and that will lead to unnecessary harm and preventable deaths.

I ask readers to immediately call or write our Senators and U.S. Representatives and demand they stop CBP from implementing any rule-making that restricts Americans from importing personal-use prescription drugs from licensed pharmacies in Canada or other countries.

Donald Burger
Laguna Niguel

9 million square foot development in San Jacinto?



Dear editor:

The proposed "Mixed Use" nine-million-square-foot Commerce Center in San Jacinto is accepting comments on its Draft EIR until Oct. 12.

This project will absolutely affect our air quality. While the EIR includes dozens of pages documenting current laws, green rules and regulations, their conclusion is that it is unavoidable to exceed the emissions.

The commercial development indicates it would be using more electricity and water than the whole town of San Jacinto currently. The project is estimating 16.2 million gallons of wastewater per year. The city of San Jacinto processes 14 million gallons per year now.

No plans for solar, the power to be supplied by SCE , with diesel generators for backup.

They have no promised occupants yet.

Email to respond by Oct. 12: SJCCSPcomments@sanjacintoca.gov.

Mallory Cremin
Idyllwild
The Green Coalition of San Jacinto Valley
https://greensanjacinto.org/

Asphalt clean-up thank you

Dear editor:

Thanks to the county's road maintenance crew, a large amount of broken asphalt chunks have been cleaned up at numerous spots in the Dutch Flats area. The before- and after-photos below show the great work!

Sincerely,
David Pearson



Before and after photos show progress in removing asphalt debris. PHOTOS BY DAVID PEARSON

Coroner

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transitioning these highly specialized services within approximately nine months is a significant undertaking," County Executive Officer Jeff Van Wagenen wrote in an email statement. "While the law provides direction regarding the structure of the new office and includes important protections for affected County employees, there are substantial costs that are not covered by this new state mandate."

"Our focus today is on implementation,"Van Wagenen continued. "We will work closely with our employees, labor partners, the Sheriff's Department, and other stakeholders to ensure continuity of these critical services while creating the new Medical Examiner's Office."

California is one of four states that uses a sheriff-coroner system, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. As of 2024, 10 out of 58 counties in the state have separated these functions, according to the Senate Public Safety Committee report. Los Angeles and San Diego counties have separated these functions.

Both the Senate and the Assembly acknowledged that state law leaves the issue of separating or combining the offices of Sheriff and Coroner to the local counties. However, due to the significant number – 226 – of in-custody deaths that have occurred in Riverside County since 2012, both houses accepted Sen. Cervantes' request to separate them.

In 2022, 19 persons died in the custody of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department. The family of Richard Matus, Jr. filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the county and the Sheriff's Department in 2023. In August, a federal jury found the county bears partial responsibility for Matus' death and is responsible for paying his son, daughter and mother roughly $5.4 million in damages.

Prop. 43 wants two-thirds approval for voter tax initiatives

By JP Crumrine
Correspondent

Proposition 43 would limit voters' ability to pass voter-proposed local special taxes. It would raise the percentage of votes needed to approve such ballot measures from a majority (greater than 50%) to two-thirds (67%).

The state constitution allows local governments to increase some special taxes with local voter approval. Tax increases can be put on a ballot by voters or the local governing board, such as a city council or a board of supervisors.

Currently, if a local government wants to impose, extend or increase a special tax, it requires two-thirds (67%) of voters' approval to be passed. After several court challenges, the two-thirds requirement does not apply to special tax initiatives which reach the ballot through initiatives of citizens who collect sufficient voter signatures to place an initiative on the ballot.

Beginning on Jan. 1, 2027, Prop 43 would raise the necessary passage level for these special tax actions to 67%, also.

Proponents, such as the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, argue that Prop. 13, passed in 1978, was intended to make it harder to raise taxes, but recent court decisions created loopholes. If a citizen or non-elected officials have sufficient signatures to place a special tax on the ballot, passage only requires 50% approval.

Prop. 43 would make it harder to impose these special taxes, its supporters argue.

Opponents argue that the 50% approval rate helps local areas raise revenues for critical local services. Prop. 43 would allow a minority of voters, only 33.3%, to stop these initiatives.

In its latest poll of likely voters, the Public Policy Institute of California found a majority of voters (51%) opposes Prop. 43. They would continue the ability of voter tax initiatives to be enacted with 50% approval. Supporters of Prop. 43 comprise only 43% of the likely voters.

The poll found that voters were divided along party lines, with more than 60% of Republicans supporting the measure, while nearly 67% of Democrats oppose it. A majority of independents also oppose the proposition. Across the state, 60% of Central Valley likely voters support it, as do about half in Orange and San Diego counties. Elsewhere, including the Inland Empire (65%), the majority opposes it.

Three groups are raising money to support passage of Prop. 43. As of the latest report on Sept. 24, they had collectively spent $9.8 million and had about $500,000 in cash available for the final month before the election.

Opponents spent only $400,000, but had more than $4 million available as of Sept. 24.



PHOTO BY SUE ROSE

Idyllwild Weather

source: www.accuweather.com

Day	High / Low	Conditions
Wednesday 10/7	85 °F / 60 °F	Sunny with near-record warmth
Thursday 10/8	86 °F / 64 °F	Very warm
Friday 10/9	83 °F / 61 °F	Mostly sunny and warm
Saturday 10/10	76 °F / 59 °F	Pleasant with clouds and sun
Sunday 10/11	70 °F / 46 °F	Mostly cloudy
Monday 10/12	64 °F / 42 °F	Considerable clouds and cool
Tuesday 10/13	70 °F / 39 °F	Rain at times



Community Events September 30th - October 6th

Wednesday September 30th

ICC events:

- Jazzercise- 8:30 am - 9:30 am & 5:30pm-6:30pm
- Chair Tai Chi Class -11:30 am - 12:30 pm
- ICC Senior Cabaret Workshop/ Rehearsal - 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Library events:

- Storytime: "Construction"- 11:00am - 12:00pm
- Music Trivia Night 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Thursday October 1st

Library events:

- Yarn Club: 10:00am - 12:00pm

ICC events:

- Jazzercise- 8:30am-9:30am - Town Hall
- Tai Chi - 9:45am - 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 Hal

Saturday October 3rd

ICC events:

- Jazzercise- 8:30am-9:30am
- Rotary Bingo Night - 4:30 - 8:00pm

Library events:

- Little Music Makers with Ms. Laura and Friends - 10:00am - 11:00am

Sunday October 4th

ICC events:

- Jazzercise- 8:30am-9:30am - Town Hall
- Free Senior Yoga - 10:30am - Town hall
- Farmers Market – 9:00am - 2:00pm – Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

Monday October 5th

ICC events:

- Jazzercise- 8:30 am - 9:30 am & 5:30pm-6:30pm
- Tai Chi Class- 10:30 am - 11:30am
- Chair Exercise Class- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
- ICC Senior Cabaret Workshop/ Rehearsal - 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Tuesday October 6th

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 - 12:00pm - 3:30pm

Idyllwild Shuttle Service:

Local Shuttle Service

- Monday - Sunday: Local service Off-the-Hill

Transportation:

- Mondays: Trips to the Desert
- Wednesdays: Trips to Hemet/Temecula
- Fridays: Off-the-Hill destination (varies)
- Wheelchair accessible.
- For reservations or information, call (951) 426-9688 or visit www.forestfolk.org.

Food Distributions:

- First Tuesday of each month, 10:30 a.m.–Noon
- ICC Feeding America food distribution. Free. Held at Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Alternate Thursdays, 12:45–2:00 p.m.
- Food distribution at the LDS Church, 53830 Tollgate Rd.
- Sign up by noon on the Monday before distribution at mountainaid.net.
- Participants will receive a text message with their pickup time to help reduce wait times.
- Donations are appreciated.

Coming Up!

Thursday, October 8

Science with Larry at Spirit Mountain: Whether the Weather ?

Dr Larry Kawano speaks on when weather has changed history, extreme weather, weird weather, and the coming El Niño. Free, 3 p.m., Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Friday and Saturday, October 9 and 10

Mountain Quilters Quilt Show

Idyllwild Mountain Quilters host exhibition of their latest handiwork. New and Vintage quilts, some for sale. Handmade gifts, fabric sale, themed "opportunity" quilts and baskets. Free. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Idyllwild Community Church, 54400 North Circle.

Saturday, October 10

Trail of the Acorn at the Nature Center

Cahuilla elders share their culture and traditions. Activities for kids and adults, and a special blessing ceremony for the 600-year-old "Mother Oak." Free. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy 243.

Art Alliance of Idyllwild 28th Annual Art Walk & Wine Tasting

Sample wines from more than 15 wineries from across California, browse the work of more than 20 local and regional artists, and enjoy live music throughout Idyllwild's scenic, walkable business district. Early bird tickets are $35 for AAI members and $45 for non-members. After September 1, prices increase to $50 for members and $60 for non-members. Tickets purchased on October 10 are $70. Visit aai.clubexpress.com
Booths open at noon, wine tasting 1 - 4 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, October 10-11

Family Farmers Produce Pumpkin Patch Festival

Activities include pony rides, petting zoo, live music, BBQ, catch and release fishing, pick your own pumpkin, games, remote control boats, gold panning, train rides. $10 admission, under 2 free, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 59751 Hwy 74, Mountain Center.

Monday, October 12

Indigenous People's Day at Idyllwild Arts Academy

For the sixth year, the Academy and its Native American Arts Center welcome the community to a day of free programs honoring the contributions of Indigenous artists worldwide. Cahuilla Bird Singers, Keynote presentations, live music with Diné indie punk rock band Sihasin, Indigenous foods luncheon, glass blowing demonstration, culturally inspired hands-on activities. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thursday October 15 ICC Chess League

Categories for kids and adults. $29 annual membership. Junior League (5-14) 3:30–5:00 p.m. Adult League 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center, 54201 Ridgeview Dr.

Saturday, October 17

Discover Mountain Gardening at the Nature Center

Members of the Idyllwild Garden Club will share their gathered knowledge about gardening in our local micro climate, and best practices with native plants. Three speakers: Helen Hixon on hummingbirds and making hummingbird perches, Julie Roy on the use of Alpaca "nuggets" in the garden, Peter Kindfield on Mountain Gardening. Refreshments, bulb and native plant sales, lilac food and "Alpaca Gold" for sale. This meeting is free to everyone, and is ideal for those who may not be able to come to the Garden Club's Wednesday meetings. Free parking for this event.
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy

No Kings Protest

Organized by Idyllwild Indivisible as part of nationwide day of action focused on early voting and election protection. 11:00 a.m., starting at Art Dept., 54240 Pine Crest Ave.

Saturday and Sunday, October 17-18

Family Farmers Produce Pumpkin Patch Festival

Activities include pony rides, petting zoo, live music, BBQ, catch and release fishing, pick your own pumpkin, games remote control boats, gold panning, train rides. Dog costume contest Saturday from 12:30, contest entry $10, first prize $250. Festival admission $10, under 2 free, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 59751 Hwy 74, Mountain Center.

Sunday, October 18

Celebration of Life Memorial service for Rosie Nowell

3:00 p.m. Camp Maranatha, 54162 Maranatha Dr., in the Eagle Mountain auditorium near the back of the camp.

Wednesday, October 21

Film Club with Gary Leva: *Casablanca*

Join award-winning filmmaker and former USC film professor to discuss *Casablanca*. Free, 5:00 p.m. Idyllwild Public Library

Saturday, October 24

Creepy Crawly Day at the Nature Center

Meet spiders and snakes, eat treats, costumes encouraged. Free with park admission, $6 adults, $3 children. 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy

Songs and Stories of the living woods with Dryad flute and guitar duo

Dryad presents a musical conversation with the soul of a living tree. Bring a lawn chair and a picnic blanket. Under the Black Oak at the far side of the entrance meadow, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., Idyllwild County Park, 54000 Riverside County Playground Rd.

Hoedown at the Rustic Theater to benefit the Living Free Affordable Animal Care Clinic

2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Rustic Theater 54290 N. Circle Dr

Friday, November 20

Senior Cabaret at Town Hall

ICC presents the 4th annual Senior Fireside Cabaret. Registration is open for the 12 week workshop in which participants prepare their story and a song to present to the community.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SALT & PINE IDYLLWILD LLC, 54200 N CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: 1222 OAK DRIVE, VISTA, CA 92084.

SALT & PINE IDYLLWILD LLC
1222 OAK DRIVE
VISTA CA 92084

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:
NANCY JACOBSON
PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 08/17/2026.

FILE NO.:
R-202612010

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

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

Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regularly published once a week or oftener, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of notice commences with the first day of publication and terminates at the end of the twenty-eighth day, including therein the first day.

CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ENCHANTED GROUNDS, 54085 SOUTH CIRCLE DRIVE, IDYLLWILD CA 92549. Mailing address: PO BOX 4429, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

SOUTH CIRCLE IDYLLWILD, LLC
PO BOX 4429
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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: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BETTER BATH, VALLEY KITCHEN REMODELING LLC, 33528 MONTE VERDE RD, TEMECULA, CA 92592. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: 28822 OLD TOWN FRONT ST UNIT 203, TEMECULA, CA 92590.

VALLEY KITCHEN REMODELING LLC
28822 OLD TOWN FRONT ST UNIT 203
TEMECULA, CA 92590

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

State of LLC: CA.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 01/01/2026.

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:
NIKO ZAVALA
PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 07/27/2026

FILE NO.:
R-202610993

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CERTIFICATION

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: July 30, August 6, 13, 20, September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

CVMV2606740
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK STREET, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. Branch name: MORENO VALLEY BRANCH.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: CHRISTINE SCHUMANN VANEK filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: CHRISTINE SCHUMANN VANEK Changed to Proposed name: CHRISTINE MARGARET MICHAUD.

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: 10/28/2026. 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: September 2, 2026

RANDALL S. STAMEN
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

CVMV2608996
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: DONNA GEPHART-ROBINSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: DONNA EILEEN GEPHART-ROBINSON Changed to Proposed name: DONNA EILEEN HART .

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: 11/18/2026. 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: September 14, 2026

RANDALL S. STAMEN
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as TEMECULA FLEET LLC, 28822 OLD TOWN FRONT STREET, 204, TEMECULA, CA 92590. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

TEMECULA FLEET LLC
28822 OLD TOWN FRONT STREET 204
TEMECULA, CA 92590

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

State of Company: 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:
NIKO ALFREDO ZAVALA
PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 09/09/2026.

FILE NO.:
R-202613197

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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: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as VANTAX, 34523 SAKURA LN, WINCHESTER, CA 92596. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

IOANA ANDREEA HORJA
34523 SAKURA LN
WINCHESTER CA 92596

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:
IOANA ANDREEA HORJA

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 09/14/2026.

FILE NO.:
R-202613453

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 2026

CVME 2608314
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 27401 MENIFEE CENTER DRIVE, MENIFEE, CA 92584, Branch name: MENIFEE JUSTICE CENTER.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: ALYSSA KAITLYN BELTRAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: ALYSSA KAITLYN BELTRAN changed to Proposed name: ALYSSA KAITLYN RYAN.

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: 10/29/2026. Time: 8:00 am.

b. The address of the court is same as noted above Dept. M205.

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: 06/30/2026

BELINDA HANDY
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT **Pub. TC: October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as GOLDEN HOUR VETERINARY CARE, GOLDEN HOUR VETERINARY CARE, PC, 82465 ASTAIRE CIR, INDIO, CA 92201. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE.

GOLDEN HOUR VETERINARY CARE, PC
82465 ASTAIRE CIRCLE
INDIO, CA 92201

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

State of Corporation: 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:
ARTHUR KLOMHAUS
PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 09/28/2026.

FILE NO.:
R-202613962

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CERTIFICATION

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026

CVME 2608315
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 27401 MENIFEE CENTER DRIVE, MENIFEE, CA 92584, Branch name: MENIFEE JUSTICE CENTER.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: SARAH IRENE BELTRAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: SARAH IRENE BELTRAN changed to Proposed name: SARAH IRENE RYAN.

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

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b. The address of the court is same as noted above Dept. M205.

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Date: 06/30/2026

BELINDA HANDY
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT **Pub. TC: October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LEMON LILY BY THE CREEK, 26220 PINE DELL RD, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549. COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. Mailing Address: 8583 IRVINE CENTER DR, #197, IRVINE, CA 92618.

L'ECHO DU BOIS LLC
8583 IRVINE CENTER DR, #197
IRVINE, CA 92618

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:
ANGELA PHAM
PRESIDENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 09/29/2026

FILE NO.:
R-202614002

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PETER ALDANA,
County Clerk

Pub. TC: October 8, 15, 22, 29, 2026

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On 10/21/2026 at 26673 YNEZ RD STE A TEMECULA, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 1989 FORD VIN:1FMCU14T8KUC07335 STATE: CA LIC: 4XKJ001 at 10:00 AM.

Pub. TC: October 8, 2026

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Seyarto seeks reelection to SD 32

By JP Crumrine
Contributor



Kelly Seyarto is seeking re-election to a second term representing California Senate District 32.

Seyarto lives in Murrieta with his wife, Denise. Besides helping Denise raise three daughters, he was a firefighter for 35 of his 64 years. In 2015, he retired as a battalion chief for Los Angeles County Fire Department.

During his firefighting career, he also served as a Murietta City Council member and was mayor four times. In 2020, he was elected to the California Assembly to represent the 67th District, which stretches from the Temescal Valley east to south of Hemet, but not Hill communities.

In 2022, he chose to seek the newly drawn Senate District 32 seat. The district is spread across Riverside County. It essentially goes southeast from Norco and Lake Mathews, including Temecula and Murietta, extends east to embrace Idyllwild, Garner Valley, and the mountain communities including Anza, and then south and east into San Diego County to include Borrego Springs and Julian.

California law limits an individual's opportunity to serve in either the Assembly or State Senate to 12 years. Consequently, Seyarto accepts he will not have the opportunity for three Senate terms. "We knew going into [the race] it was potentially two terms," he said. So, if he wins this year, he will not be able to seek a third Senate term.

Although the Senate is dominated by Democrats, Seyarto is the vice chair of several important committees, including Appropriations, Emergency, Natural Resources and Public Safety. He also serves on the Budget Subcommittee on Corrections, Public Safety, Judiciary, Labor, and Transportation.

This gives him an opportunity to work with the committee chairs and have some influence on prospective legislation, he said.

While the California Legislature does not pass many Republican-sponsored bills, Seyarto has had success. Last week, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Senate Bill 904, which strengthens California's wildfire recovery efforts to help communities rebuild more quickly following major wildfires.

SB 918 is another of his bills, which the governor signed last week. It addresses California's drive-through restaurant regulations. This new law is intended to imporve worker safety, increase efficiency, and maintain existing food safety standards.

In his six years of state legislative service, Seyarto had many proud moments, he said, especially obtaining passage of legislation to improve the prevention of, response to, and recovery from wildfires.

Moving forward, Seyarto said he will continue to focus on legislation that affects wildfire issues – both prevention and recovery. He said he wants to help people ". . . get back to where they were if something bad hadn't happened."

Water issues continue to require attention, too. He said he is disappointed that the State has not taken greater advantage of the recent rainy season to build better flood control channels.

"We need to supply water to all of California," he said. "We're always in a conservation mode."

With respect to budget issues, Seyarto said he is frustrated by the administration's consistent overestimate of revenues while underestimating expenditures to offset the lower revenues. He noted that even the Legislative Analyst's Office has forecast less optimistic revenue expectations than the governor's Finance Office.

"We must respect that we're stewards of the taxpayers," he said.

Seyarto also stresses that affordability is one of the preeminent issues of this year's campaign.

"Every person running for office says 'affordability' is the number one issue," he said. "Many want to eliminate the gas tax to help at the pump. But that eliminates the road construction these tax revenues pay for."

One of the major local issues this year has been Riverside County Sheriff Chad Bianco's seizure of election ballots. Last week, the State Supreme Court ordered him to return them.

Seyarto noted that there are laws about ballot protection and a process for review, but said he feels that Bianco's action was initiated by a question of election problems, which should be addressed and not ignored.

Campaign funds will not be an issue for Seyarto. As of Sept. 23, he still had nearly $315,000 in cash for the final weeks of his campaign.

"Everybody knows the big issue in California and here is home affordability," he said. "It will take a while to get a conversation on how to solve it. But a better balance of leadership in the state will yield better decisions."

"I just appreciate the support when I visit folks in Idyllwild or Borrego," he said. "People are very receptive. They trust that I'm listening and trying to help. I look forward to serving another term."

County offers election process tours, livestreaming

Press Release
Riverside County Registrar of Voters

The County of Riverside Registrar of Voters announces Election Observer Tours for the Nov. 3 general election, providing the public with an opportunity to witness the electoral process firsthand. Tours will be held every Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., starting Oct. 6, through Election Day. Contact the Registrar of Voters' Office to schedule a tour during the canvass period.

Participants will have the chance to observe the processing of ballots, gaining insights into the accuracy and transparency of the electoral process. This initiative aims to foster public understanding of how elections are conducted.

In addition to in-person tours, live streaming of election processes will also be available. To view the live stream, visit voteinfo.net, click on the election page and select the "Official Live Streaming" button available starting on October 5, 2026.

The Election Observer Tours are limited to 20 people per tour. To reserve a spot, contact the Registrar of Voters office at 951-486-7200. Space is limited, so reservations are encouraged but not required.

"We invite community members to engage with the democratic process and learn how their votes are counted. Together, let's ensure a fair, accurate and transparent election for all," Art Tinoco, registrar of voters said.

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Dr. Tiffanie Tate seeks State Senate seat

By JP Crumrine



Dr. Tiffanie Tate is seeking the California Senate's District 32 seat. She is a Democrat seeking to unseat incumbent Sen. Kelly Seyarto, a Republican.

Dr. Tate is a retired obstetrician-gynecologist. She is also an author, an ordained minister of the Universal Life Church, a radio show co-host, and a mother.

Dr. Tate became a U.S. Naval officer while in medical school. She completed her internship at the Naval Medical Center San Diego in Obstetrics and Gynecology. She served the fleet as a general medical officer at the Naval Ambulatory Care Clinic at Port Hueneme, with the Seabees, where she earned the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

She was born in 1974, is divorced and has two college age children.

She is a California native and earned her bachelor's degree at the UC Santa Barbara.

When asked about her motivation to seek office and begin a several months long campaign, she replied: "When I look at what is happening, I see a need! This district needs someone who is an advocate. I always saw myself as a problem solver."

On her website (www.votedrtate.com), Tate addresses 11 issues that she considers important in this election.

The Economy is first among the issues. For Tate, this means that the cost of living is negatively affecting people.

"The price of gas is too high," she said. "Food costs are too high. Insurance whether it's homeowners or medical is too high. People are struggling in everyday lives. These are real 'kitchen table' issues."

Tate has strong views on health insurance. "In California, we should make sure people have access to and can get to care," she said. "People can go bankrupt because of lack of medical care and insurance."

She wants health care to be accessible for all and affordable. One step to address this problem is to increase the number of healthcare providers, she said. "If people cannot get to care, then get the care to the people."

Homelessness is another issue that Tate has strong feelings about. "Look at people, living on the street. That is the heart of homelessness. They need resources to get off the street," she argued. "In our society, who are we? Charity begins at home! Are we our brothers' keepers?"

The costs of providing greater healthcare, either through insurance or more providers, shelter for the homeless, will largely fall to the state budget. But Tate's budget concern is to ensure that certain programs such as education and health care are treated as necessities. Her comment was, "You don't rob Peter to pay Paul."

"California has got to do better," she said. "We need to set priorities on how we spend and what we spend on! But most problems, regardless of cost, get passed on to everyone."

In order to fund these actions, Tate is a supporter of Proposition 40, which would impose a one-time tax on very high income earners.

Tate's campaign contributions have lagged Seyarto's, which may be a problem in the closing weeks. As of Sept. 23, she had only $6,900 cash available. She has received only $101,000 in contributions this year. Both are significantly less than Seyarto's campaign fund status.

Newsom signs new election laws

By JP Crumrine
Correspondent

On Sept. 19, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a package of laws intended to protect California's elections, ballots and voters.

Newsom signed into law 13 bills meant to safeguard election results and prevent government officials or others from manipulating election results.

"Donald Trump won't stop until he can exert dictatorial control over your free vote and disenfranchise millions of people this November. California will stop him at every opportunity," Newsom said in the press release announcing the signing of the bills. "We have no bigger task than fighting to protect the right to vote from interference and meddling – the future of democracy is on the line. These bills today build upon the wall California has built to safeguard our electoral process."

The package of bills had not passed or become law before Sheriff Chad Bianco began his investigation and seizure of ballots this spring.

Among the package of new laws is Assembly Bill 282. This makes it a felony to seize or cause or assist in the seizure of ballots, election records, or certified voting technology before election results are certified by the elections official. Secondly, it will be a felony for any person with authority to direct another person subject to their supervision or authority to seize ballots, election records, or certified voting technology before election results are certified.

Online "influencers" will be subject to a new election law. They must declare if they are being paid to promote a candidate or measure on the ballot. If they do not post a disclaimer stating their public role, they will be subject to possible administrative, civil or criminal penalties, according to AB 1130.

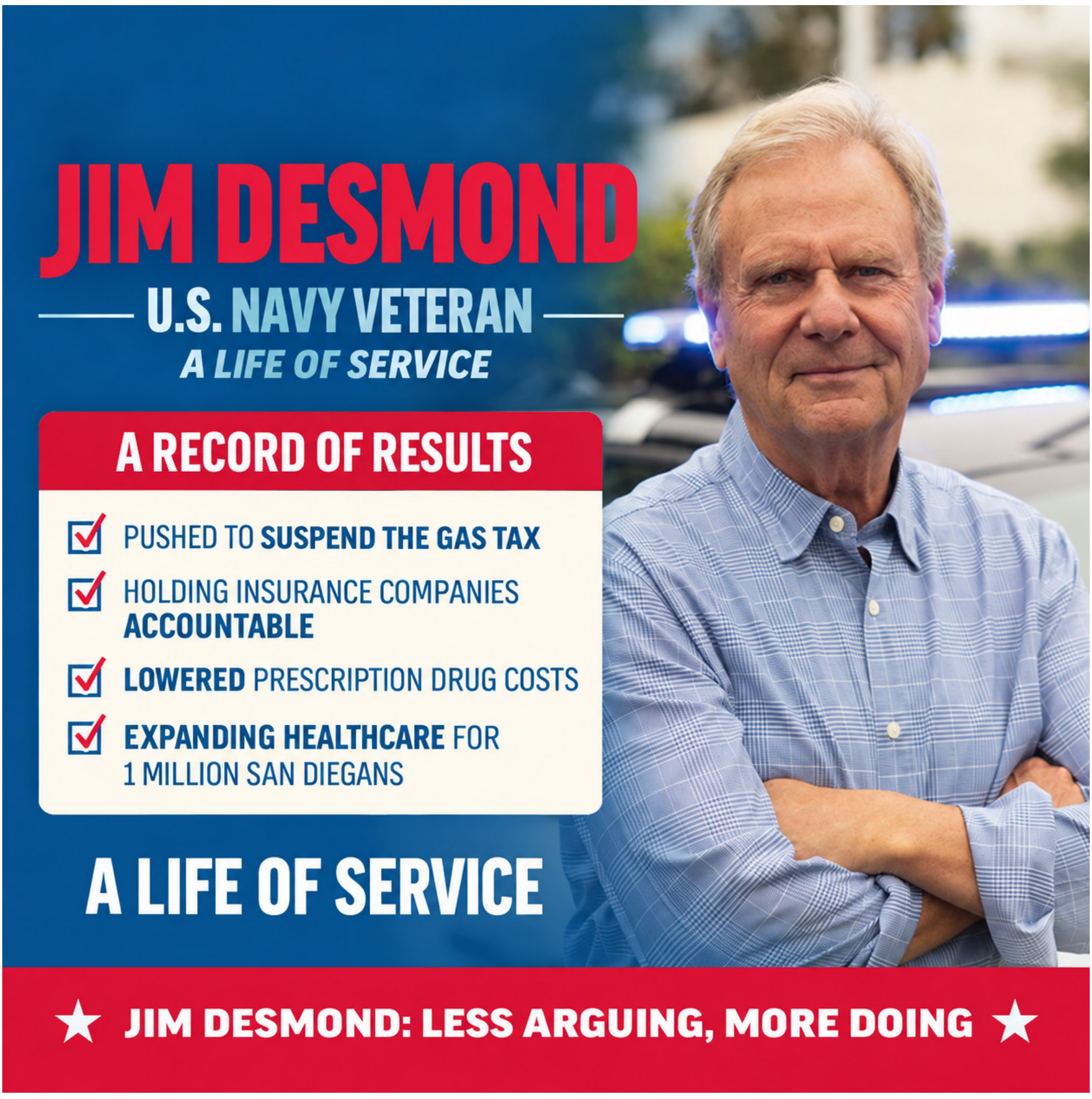
Three of the bills – Senate Bills 1164, 1360 and 1418 – were authored by State Sen. Sabrina Cervantes of Riverside County.

"SB 1418 builds on Senate Bill 73, which the Governor signed into law earlier this year, by extending many of the chain-of-custody protections for voted ballots in that bill to other forms of election records," Cervantes said in her press release after the governor's signing ceremony. "To provide these protections for the November midterm elections, SB 1418 includes an urgency clause that allows its provisions to take effect immediately. The enactment of Senate Bill 1418 further protects the integrity of California's elections as we head into the midterm elections," the Senator added.

SB 884, authored by State Sen. Tom Umberg (D Santa Ana) requires counties to open ballot drop-off locations 30 days before an election — two days earlier than previously — and allows counties to ban electioneering, or trying to influence voters' decisions, within up to 200 feet of polling sites. It also limits crimes for which police may make arrests near polling places to crimes involving property, physical harm, or disruption of the polling place.

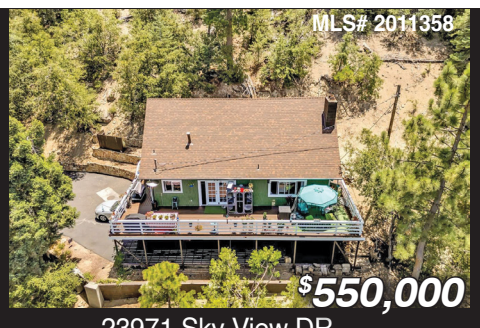
Newsom also signed legislation that makes it a felony to interfere with the delivery or return of mail-in ballots.

"California is meeting the moment and with this package of bills, erecting a shield against multiple attacks against our elections and our system of government. No one should doubt the degree of our resolve in protecting our democracy," Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber said in the Governor's press release.





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Local veterinarian returns from working vacation in Zambia

By David Jerome
Editor

In August, we noted that local veterinarian Lorraine Kassarjian was embarking on a working vacation in Zambia. Kassarjian was to join a group of veterinarians putting radio collars on wild animals at the Nyamvu Game Reserve.

Kassarjian returned from the trip on Sept. 28 and stopped by the Town Crier office this week to share her story with our readers.

The trip took 16 days, with 11 spent on the project, she said. The group put radio tracking collars on roan antelope, African buffalo (previously known as cape buffalo) and lions. The collars allow conservationists to track migration patterns of the animals as well as where they eat and sleep.

Kassarjian said that the group collared two antelopes and two buffalos, choosing females because they tend to stay with their herds, and one lion, also female. The lion evaded their efforts until the last night, with the bait left for it attracting only hyenas.

The group was all veterinarians, except one spouse. There was also a South African vet who "does this for a living," and two vets from the Zambian government, "because all wildlife belongs to the government" and only government vets may use the dart guns to tranquilize the animals.

The drugs used to immobilize the animals, Kassarjian learned, are extremely potent. "10,000 times stronger than morphine," so an antidote had to be always kept on hand. "One drop on your skin could kill you," she said.

Kassarjian discovered that she really likes lions and hyenas, and is also interested in the Zambian government's way of managing the country's game preserves. There were fewer animals than in South Africa, as the animals had been killed off and were being reintroduced starting in 2005. The government purchases the animals and leases the land to companies that run the reserves.

In South Africa, she said, the animals are more habituated to humans, but in Zambia "the lions see you and say 'bye bye,' she said."

The Zambian reserves allow hunting, like those in other African countries except Kenya. Kassarjian said that although the veterinarians were opposed to



hunting, they understood the irresistible economic logic. She cited figures from one South African park where 75,000 annual visitors (non-hunters) brought in 70% of the park's income, but just 20 individual hunters brought in 20%.

"When you consider the carbon footprint and animals killed by cars from 75,000 visitors," she said, the impact of 20 hunters seems small. She added that the hunters seek trophy heads, with the companies that manage the safaris giving the meat to local villagers.

The group's accommodations were in lodges that Kassarjian said were like luxury hotels, except that one had no AC, and temperatures reached 85 degrees at midnight and nearly 100 during the day.

The trip was a fairly expensive working vacation. Participants, in addition to airfare and vaccinations, pay $11,000 each. About a third goes to pay for the radio collars, which cost about $2,500 each, a helicopter, and staff. Kassarjian said she felt sure she was the least affluent member of the group, with all the others seeming to know one another. She said she would do it again "if someone pays for me."

The project is managed by a U.S. charity, the Global Initiative for Veterinarian Ecologists (GIVE.)

Friends of the San Jacinto Mountain County Parks plan trail cleanup of adopted Nature Center trail

By Mary Rider
Courtesy the Friends of the San Jacinto Mountain County Parks Newsletter

One of the most accessible and interesting trails to access from the Idyllwild Nature Center is the Hillside Trail. The starting point is from the Nature Center and begins by crossing a small bridge over Lily Creek before heading downhill to the Riverside County Campground adjacent to Delano Road. Walking through shady and sunny spots, the campground comes into view as the path descends along the forest and boulder strewn hillside.

Friends of San Jacinto Mountain Parks adopted the trail years ago. We are seeking volunteers to join us for our quarterly three-hour clean-up effort on Saturday, October 24, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Our task will be to remove trash, sweep, weed, prune, remove obstructions, and do basic trail repair. RivCo Parks will supply the training and equipment, including personal protective equipment.

The FSJMCP Adopt-a-Trail Program effort will accomplish the following goals: Provide quality trails to the community through active trail stewardship, connect the Riverside County community to well-maintained trails and open space areas, and provide quality training and support to AAT Adopters & volunteers on all trail-related issues.

If you appreciate the beauty and wonder of our mountain setting, please consider joining in the effort to keep the trails safe and inviting for others to enjoy. Contact Mary Rider at maryrider5@gmail.com for more information and / or to join the team.





More than a Pumpkin Patch



ILLUSTRATION BY SAM MARKUS

By Sam Markus
Correspondent

At Family Farmers Pumpkin Patch Festival, Eric Jones and Cathy Genitempo have assembled the kind of place that makes you keep turning to whoever came with you and saying, "Wait. There's more?"

A pony ride. White bison. A little piglet so adorable it seemed almost custom-designed. Gardens bursting with life. Live music. A gold sluice where you can sift through material with the optimism of someone whose financial circumstances are about to change.

Somewhere in this unfolding universe is a machine where you can still get a ten-cent Coke. In an age when buying a beverage can feel like entering a financing agreement, this deserves its own historical marker.

But the thing that stayed with me wasn't any single attraction. It was the feeling of the place.

For Eric, it began with a little red cabin that had stood vacant for years. "I wanted to bring it back to life so we all can enjoy the beauty," he said. That beauty includes mountain views, the stream flowing into the lake, and the eagle he describes hunting there to feed her young.

There is a particular pleasure in walking into somebody's imagination after they have spent time giving it physical form. You can feel the decisions. Put water here. Plant something there. Make a place for children to explore. Yes, apparently we also need a train to ride through the property.

Eric is the designer who imagines the whole, with others helping bring it into being. Walking around, I kept noticing how one attraction seemed to invite the next in a kind of storybook fluidity. At what point does a farm look around and realize it has become a small kingdom?

Beneath the attractions are systems quietly doing their work. Eric explained that solar power circulates the lake water, which also supplies the field crops through gravity-fed irrigation. Wildlife finds a home around it.

The white bison carry a more personal meaning. Eric spoke of his Cherokee heritage and his lifelong connection to wildlife. He sees the bison as looking out for one another and those who need them. In his words, "they are truly protectors."

Listening to him, I understood more of the reverence I had sensed beneath the bustle.

The property also holds reminders of earlier ingenuity. The original homestead cabin dates to the late 1920s or early 1930s, before the paved road. Cabinets were designed to keep vegetables cool with air from beneath the house, and a windmill pumped water to a tower so gravity could carry it into the cabin.

Then there is the chainsaw artist, making things with a tool I generally associate with removing them.

The place accommodates all these different kinds of attention: looking, listening, riding, fishing, discovering. A child can move from one little adventure to another. An adult can remember that this is also an available way to spend an afternoon.

What Eric hopes people take home is simple: "spending time with family and talking to others." Enjoy being somewhere together.

I went expecting a seasonal outing. I left thinking about what happens when a person keeps making room for another good idea.

The pumpkins are a perfectly good reason to visit. But give yourself time to wander. Follow the sound of music. Watch the little train go by. See what's growing. I even got to taste a crisp bite of broccoli fresh from the garden. And if you meet the piglet, please convey my professional admiration.

The festival continues Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 10–11 and Oct. 17–18.

See Coming Up! For address and time.

Locals can find sandbags for storm prep at fire stations as agencies get ready for winter

By David Jerome
Editor

As residents prepare for what forecasters say may be an exceptionally wet winter, locals may find sandbags at Cal Fire stations or at Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

IFPD executive assistant Rachel Teeguarden confirmed that the district will provide up to 10 sandbags per household to Idyllwild residents.

Cal Fire tells us that "All Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department stations, including Pine Cove Station 23 and our stations serving Mountain Center and Garner Valley, provide limited quantities of unfilled sandbags for residents. Residents are responsible for filling and placing the bags."

Shane Reichardt, a public information officer at the county Emergency Management Department, provided an update on their storm preparations: "Much of our efforts thus far have been behind the scenes, working with our county partners to prepare. We've been coordinating with National Weather Service to monitor El Niño and prepare for any potential impacts. This week we've had coordination calls with Edison and our county partners."

Reichardt continued: "Since July the Emergency Management Department has been giving joint outreach presentations to community groups, along with County Flood and Transportation and Land Management Agency. We plan to give that presentation to our Mountaintop Group in late October. Additionally, each of our staff has been bringing El Niño-related preparedness messages to any community meeting we attend."

You can find preparedness info on EMDs website at https://emd.rivco.gov/disaster-preparedness/have-plan/storms. This includes a flyer on the danger of debris flows.

Mountain Quilters to feature over 100 quilts at show

Contributed

After an absence of several years, the Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild are having a Quilt Show on Friday and Saturday, October 9th and 10th from 10 am to 4 pm at the Idyllwild Community Church at 54400 North Circle. This free event will feature over 100 quilts, both new and vintage, with many quilts available for sale. Viewers may also be interested in the various "Opportunity Baskets" as well as a marketplace for handmade gifts.

The Quilters have a long history in Idyllwild and support the community by donating quilts to Veterans, those in need via the fire departments and schools, and to victims of the Eaton and Palisades fires. In addition, they provide funds for the Idyllwild Scholarship Fund and sent over 100 items of clothing plus many quilts to the Lahaina, Maui fire victims.

For more information please contact President Karen McGuire at (760) 828-2815.



PHOTO BY STEPHEN SUTTON

Idyllwild Garden Club Garden of the Month: Double Take on Doubleview

By Stephen Sutton
Idyllwild Garden Club

Before you approach the breathtaking views of Inspiration Point, you'll reach a knoll tucked away on your left at 52507 Doubleview. Dave Lillyholm's mostly native and drought tolerant garden on the Banana Belt is a stone landscaped masterpiece with stunning views of the valley below.

What's compelling in bloom right now this late fall season are varieties of ericameria, including goldenbush, rabbitbrush, and turpintinebush. As an ode to the Cranston (and other) fires, Dave has creatively incorporated charred wood into his palette of some spectacular specimens (some of which he has gathered on his trips around the world). The koi pond designed below a massive granite stone creates a surprise focal point surrounded by a wide array of yucca, succulents and cactus.

Atlas cedar, Monette cyprus, bigcone Douglas fir, western redbud, white fir, coastal redwood, toyon, fern leaf chapparel, netleaf hackberry, redshanks, creeping snowberry, fernbush, barberry and rare Nevin's mahonia are among many trees and shrubs on this magnificent landscape.

If you'd like to have an opportunity to chat with Dave about his garden, we recommend you tour any day around lunchtime (between 11 and 1 PM). While you are welcome to stroll anytime, this will be your best opportunity to interact and gain valuable insights on plants found in this one-of-a-kind garden.

You'll no doubt agree: we've certainly saved one of our very best of the year for our last Idyllwild Garden of the Month for 2026. Please note that our Idyllwild Garden Club Garden of the Month will be paused for the winter months and will resume in the spring of 2027.

Do you know a local garden worthy of the spotlight? The Idyllwild Garden Club is always looking for future Garden of the Month nominations. To recommend a favorite garden, contact Stephen Sutton by email at stepheninidy@gmail.com or call/text: (562) 254-6721.



Classifieds



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House/Cabin for rent in Fern Valley off of Scenic Dr. in Idyllwild. Recently Restored, sleeps 8, Fully furnished, plus bunk house that could be used for storage. Lots of parking on 1/3 of an acre, air conditioning and heaters, long term renter wanted with minimum of 60 days. Utilities to be paid by renter. No smoking, no pets. First and last plus deposit. Monthly Rent $2,750.00 Call 760-801-9301 or 760-598-8855 (leave message)

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For Rent Office/Retail

Office space/Retail, Downtown location, call Jackie: (951) 306-9769

For Rent

Studio for Rent $1,200 incl. wifi and water furnished/unfurnished. Private entrance/deck. Small pet OK w/deposit. Kitchenette: microwave, dual burner stovetop, laundry, new bathroom. First/last + pet deposit. 1 mile to town (951) 391-2788

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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HOROSCOPES

October 2026 — Week 2



March 21 – April 19

Aries, give an old hurt gentle attention. Honest reflection helps you release what holds you back.



April 20 – May 20

Taurus, welcome a meaningful conversation. Consider who has earned your trust and closest companionship.



May 21 – June 21

Gemini, refresh everyday routines. Combine practical planning with activities that help you feel good.



June 22 – July 22

Cancer, enjoy romance or creative pleasure. Choose an affordable treat and savor the experience.



July 23 – August 22

Leo, ease household tension through conversation. A sincere truce makes home feel welcoming again.



August 23 – September 22

Virgo, reconnect with friends and neighbors. A friendly exchange offers a welcome social refresh.



September 23 – October 22

Libra, appreciate simple comforts. Make room for pleasure while keeping everyday responsibilities in balance.



October 23 – November 21

Scorpio, blend reason with feeling. A thoughtful personal choice can restore your enthusiasm.



November 22 – December 21

Sagittarius, give imagination quiet space. Explore a cherished dream and notice what it reveals.



December 22 – January 19

Capricorn, step away from work. An open mind makes time with others more rewarding.



January 20 – February 18

Aquarius, channel competitive energy into creativity. Show what you offer through thoughtful ideas.



February 19 – March 20

Pisces, imagine a refreshing getaway. Exploring possibilities gives you something enjoyable to anticipate.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Answers to puzzles found on B6

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Unlisted clue hint: **Have Your Boarding — Ready**

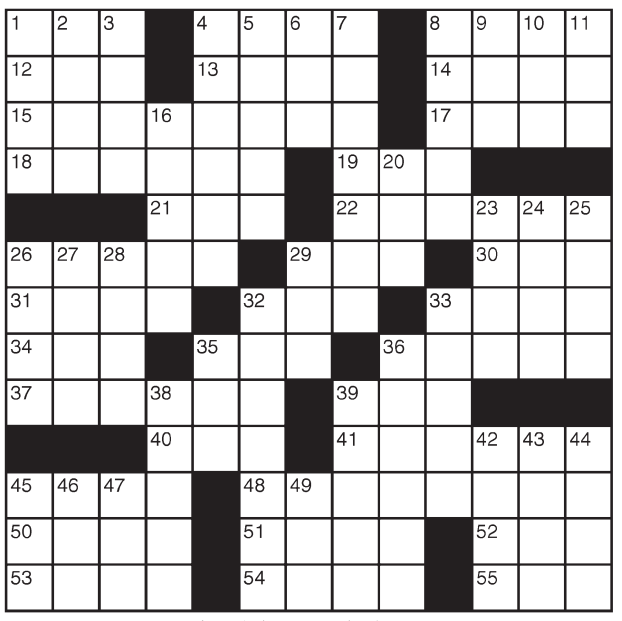
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King Crossword

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4 Wrestling style
8 Wax-coated cheese
12 Cagers' gp.
13 Jannings of old films
14 Showroom model
15 Cheek
17 Pleased
18 Sports venues
19 CEO's deg.
21 Cowboys quarterback Prescott
22 Equivalence
26 London —
29 Allen or Tebow
30 "Kitchy- —!"
31 Ore deposit
32 Madrid Mrs.
33 Small bell sound
34 '50s president
35 Layer
36 Speakers' platforms
37 Chasteness
39 Fixed
40 Search for gold
41 Salad choice
45 Designer Wang
48 Magnitude
50 During
51 Vend
52 Homer's bartender
53 First-rate
54 Lays down the lawn
55 Evening hrs.

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2 Help a hood
3 Hindu hero
4 — number
5 Inuit boat
6 Cambridge sch.
7 Dukakis of "Moonstruck"
8 Mystery writer's award
9 N.J. neighbor
10 "I — Rock"
11 '60s chic
16 "Frasier" pooch
20 "Kapow!"
23 "— you not!"
24 "Sula" author Morrison
25 Meditative practice
26 Radar image
27 Video-streaming brand
28 Baltic Sea feeder
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32 Fox's trait
33 Tribal emblem
35 Sch. fundraising group
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45 Cistern
46 Punk rock offshoot
47 Shred
49 "The Matrix" hero



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Live Music

	WED 10/07	THURS 10/08	FRI 10/09	SAT 10/10	SUN 10/11	MON 10/12	TUES 10/13
CAFE AROMA 54750 N Circle Dr		Wayward Hope 5:30pm-8:30pm			In the Pocket 5:30pm-8:30pm		
FERRO 25840 Cedar St							Jazz Night 6-9 pm
LEANNA'S IDYLL-AWHILE 54245 N Circle	Kevin Kertin 11-3 pm		Kevin Kertin 11-3 pm	Joe Baldino 11-3 pm	Joe Baldino 11-3 pm		
LILY'S 54905 N Circle Dr							
MIDDLE RIDGE WINERY 54301 N Circle Dr			Rock & Pop | The AstroKnots 4-7pm	Spare Change | Rock & Pop 3-6 pm	Country | Francesca Brown Band 2-5pm		
TARYN'S PLACE 54200 N Circle Dr Unit A3		Speed Reeder Duo 7-10pm	Chris Murphy 7-10pm	Chris Murphy 7-10pm	Wayward Hope 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 Youth Soccer: 10U Division Players Shine on the Field

By Johnny Wilson
Director of Programs and Recreation
Idyllwild Community Center

The 2026 season of ICC Youth Soccer (AYSO Region 8027 – Idyllwild) is now in full swing as multiple games have now been played throughout the three divisions (6U, 10U, and 14U). Some have been one-sided, some have been close, and some have been unexpected.

10U DIVISION (ages 7-10)

Some of the games in the 10U division have been thrilling to watch as last-minute goals, spectacular saves, and sheer player determination have been the deciding factors for the outcome of the games.

Spotlight Game of the Week 1: Legends vs Grizzlies (Tuesday Sept. 29th, 5:15pm)

On Field A it was the **Grizzlies** (sponsored by **El Sereno**) taking on the **Legends** (sponsored by **Jessica McAnallen Real Estate**). The **Legends** had great ball control and an excellent strike force where **Blithe Kenyon** scored a goal and **Kamila Wilson** scored two goals in the first half to make it 3-0 at halftime.

Not deterred by the fact that they were down three goals, the **Grizzlies** took action in the second half as **Theodore Hopper** scored a fantastic goal early in the second half, followed by a beautiful long-range goal by **Pedro Lugo** nine minutes later. The score was now 3-2 and the **Grizzlies** were looking to score the equalizer.

The **Legends** defense was holding up strong though, as goalkeeper **Matthew Mejía** was making save after save and did not let any more shots cross the goal line before the final whistle blew. Great effort by the **Grizzlies**. Final score: Legends 3, Grizzlies 2.

On Field B the **Shadow Hawks** (sponsored by **Mountain Heating & Air**) earned their second victory of the season as they faced **Idyllwild Arsenal** (sponsored by **Pure Bean**). The **Shadow Hawks'** "air attack" could not be stopped once again as they had their second 5-goal-game of the season. Final score: Shadow Hawks 5, Idyllwild Arsenal 1.

Spotlight Game of The Week 2: **Grizzlies** vs **Shadow Hawks** (Thursday Oct. 1st, 5:15pm)

The **Grizzlies** were still looking for their first victory of the season as they took on the undefeated **Shadow Hawks** in their third game of the season.

So far, the Shadow Hawks had scored 10 goals and only allowed 1 goal in their first two games of the season, so they were not too worried about the 0-2 Grizzlies – but they should have been.

The **Grizzlies** had scored two goals in the second half of their previous game so now they know they have the power to score when needed, as their thirst for more goals was only increasing - no matter who the opponents were.

The **Shadow Hawks** were off to their usual start as **Epifanio Davila** scored a goal early in the first half. Then something tremendous and unexpected happened – the **Grizzlies** defense was activated by the actions of fearless 7-year-old defender **Olivia Carruth** who had no problems squaring off against the **Shadow Hawks'** attackers and getting the ball away from them – no more goals were scored in the first half as the **Shadow Hawks** led 1-0.

The defensive stand led by young **Olivia Carruth** seemed to have an impact on her teammates as we saw the same thing happened in the second half – the **Shadow Hawks** would advance the ball, only to get it taken away by the **Grizzlies** defense.

And then **Grizzlies' striker Pedro Lugo** shot in the equalizing goal to make the score tied in the second half! As the Shadow Hawks tried hard to get the lead back, their efforts were shut down by the **Grizzles'** superior defense as the game ended in a tie. The **Grizzlies** are the only team so far who has not lost to the **Shadow Hawks**. Final score: Grizzlies 1, Shadow Hawks 1.

On Field B last Thursday, the **Legends** started off hot against **Idyllwild Arsenal** as we saw **Blithe Kenyon** and **Kamila Wilson** each score a goal, followed by a third goal by **Malakai Roberts** of the **Legends**.

Tru Hartman played well as a striker for **Arsenal** as he weaved past a half-dozen defenders and got the ball past the goalie and in the back of the net. His lone goal would not be enough, however, as the **Legends** cruise past **Idyllwild Arsenal** for their second W of the season. Final Score: Legends 3, Idyllwild Arsenal 1.

10U DIVISION STANDINGS (as of 10/04/2026)

TEAM	(WIN – LOSS – TIE)
1. Shadow Hawks	(2 – 0 – 1)
2. Legends	(2 – 1 – 0)
3. Idyllwild Arsenal	(1 – 2 – 0)
4. Grizzlies	(0 – 2 – 1)

14U DIVISION (ages 11-14)

Midnight Storm (sponsored by **Speakeasy Books**) opened up their regular season with a win over **AFC Richmond** (sponsored by **Adams Electric**) by a score of 4-0.

Kayson Adams and **Fenn Ameur** both scored two goals each to contribute to their team's victory, as the defense led by goalkeeper **Jaxx Foye** was able to keep **AFC Richmond** from scoring any goals.

14U DIVISION STANDINGS (as of 10/04/2026)

TEAM	(WIN – LOSS – TIE)
1. Purple Panthers	(1 – 0 – 0)
2. Midnight Storm	(1 – 0 – 0)
3. AFC Richmond	(0 – 2 – 0)



The Grizzlies (green) squared off against the Shadow Hawks (grey) in one of the best games of the season so far.

PHOTO BY MARY LUNETTA

6U DIVISION (ages 4-6)

It was a hard-fought emotional game for the **Howling Coyotes** (sponsored by **Idyllwild Electric**) when they took on the **Axolotls** (sponsored by the **Rich Nolan Group**) last Wednesday Sept. 30th, 3:00pm, as Axolotls striker **Aesop Iyaman** scored the fastest goal of the season – approximately 8 seconds after the opening whistle blew.

Then after several more goals by the Axolotls, the Howling Coyotes were almost ready to give up, until they scored a goal of their own! The cheering crowd went wild when the Howling Coyotes scored – a feat that seemed impossible earlier in the game.

Meanwhile on Field A, the **Mini Halos** (sponsored by **Pharos Athletic Club**) played an excellent match against the **Lightning Hawks** (sponsored by **Silver Pines Lodge & Village**) – both teams played well and all kids got well-deserved post-game snacks and refreshments.

Thank you to all the parents for your continued support by getting the players to and from the field, positively cheering from the sidelines during games and continued encouragement at home.

More games and scores to come next week. Stay tuned.



The 2026 Shadow Hawks, after the game. Coaches Felipe Davila and Charity Whittamore (back row)

PHOTO BY MARY LUNETTA



The Grizzlies had some close games this week.

PHOTO BY TAYLOR MORGAN

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Students of the Week



LEONARD MARTINEZ



MADALYN FOYE

Mr. Tom Dillon, our 4th grade teacher, has selected the following students as students of the week.

Madalyn Foye: Madalyn always does quality work. She has kindness and respect for all of her classmates. Madalyn has a wonderful sense of humor and outstanding character.

Leonard Martinez: Leonard really enjoys school. He is a great friend to other students and cares about making good choices. His written work and math problem solving are great. A joy to have in class.

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Mutt Walk Best in Class winners



Mike Hess and Best of Show Buddy

PHOTOS COURTESY ARF

ARF Mutt Walk winners

The results are in from Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild's Mutt Walk dog show, which was also sponsored by Idyllwild Community Center.

Janice Murasko reports that 38 dogs competed in the contest for mixed breed mutts only. Trophies were provided by ARF, and gift baskets for the winners were donated by Mt. Paws Pet Boutique.

Winners were chosen in small, medium, large and extra large weight categories. Claude Kilgore's Pixie and Trixie (judged as one entry) took the prize for small. Heidi Hoggan's Zephyr took medium. Mike Hess' Buddy won the large category, and Jim Crawford and Marsha Waldorf's Khaleesi was the top dog in the extra large. Buddy also received Best in Show.

Creature Corner

Last week in Days of Our Nine Lives, the ARF cats talked about cat and kitten adoptions.

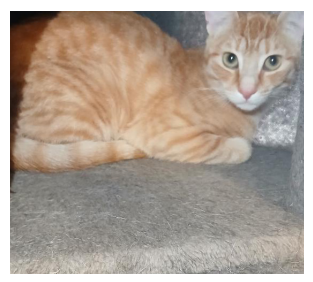
Sequoia: ARF has a new little dog named Georgie.
Cardi: I guessed as much! I think he is coming into the room now.
Georgie: Hey everyone! I'm Georgie!
Paris: Well, aren't you a little cutie pie.
Georgie: That's what my foster says! She said I'm happy and playful, and you know, I really am good with other dogs.
Honey: How are you, uh, medically?
Georgie: I am so good and ready to go. You know, neutered, vaccinated, microchipped. And I'm healthy!
Sequoia: Hopefully interested families will call ARF right away to schedule a meet-n-greet with you.
Georgie: Me, too. I really get attached to a person or family that shows me love and affection. I'm a good boy!
Luka: Welcome, Georgie!
Tasha: So, along with Georgie, ARF has some wonderful cats and kittens.
Georgie: I can see that. Three white kittens, one orange, and you fabulous young adults. All of you are so friendly!
Paris: There is a perfect furry friend for any and everyone.
Tiger: Anyone with questions should call ARF. They will return the call ASAP.



GEORGIE



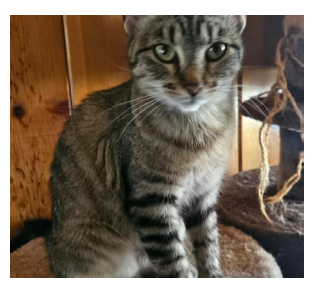
LUKE



PARIS



SEQUOIA



TASHA

This week's Creature Corner is sponsored by Kay Nine. 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.





65 years ago - 1961

Bonnar Blong, local game manager, reported the extreme drought had caused a drastic drop in the number of coyotes, bobcats and lions in the local mountains.

60 years ago - 1966

U.S. Air Force Major Robert Krone was decorated with two awards of the Distinguished Flying Cross for action in Vietnam.

55 years ago - 1971

Forest Lumber held an open house celebrating its new building on Lower Pine Crest.

50 years ago - 1976

The Idyllwild Area Historical Society hosted a showing of a recently discovered short film shot in Idyllwild in the 1920s. It included scenic views of the local area, such as the Idyllwild Inn and other downtown businesses, the dirt road to Hemet, a miniature golf course on South Circle, old cars and men in knickers.

40 years ago - 1986

Idyllwild School third-grade teacher Doris Lombard was honored as Teacher of the Year by the Hemet Unified School District board. Her noted achievements included being the author of educational science materials used by students statewide and having organized the first Idyllwild School Science Fair.

35 years ago - 1991

In the midst of a recession, locals decided to help the businesses that would, following local tradition, hand out candy to children on Halloween. Stations for people to drop off candy were organized so that it could then be passed along to the businesses to give out.

30 years ago - 1996

Author and then-Hill resident John Archambault's recently published children's book, "The Birth of a Whale," received a gold award in the 1996 National Parenting Publications Awards competition.

25 years ago - 2001

Idyllwild resident Shaunna Friemoth was crowned homecoming queen during halftime festivities at Hemet High's homecoming football game. Shaunna's mother, Tamara, was homecoming queen in 1978.

20 years ago - 2006

The directors of Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild made a public appeal for help in obtaining the land and building needed for an animal shelter to house its rescued dogs and cats until they could be adopted. ARF still had hopes of building a shelter.

15 years ago - 2011

Local Tracy Philippi, ex-Army ranger, stopped a burglary in progress and held the suspect at gunpoint until a Riverside County Sheriff's Department deputy arrived to make the arrest.

10 years ago - 2016

Locals gathered at IFPD to hear a Caltech speaker on earthquakes and preparing for them after several hundred small earthquakes in one week near the Salton Sea raised local concerns.

5 years ago - 2021

A front page headline asked "Why is Idyllwild School by far the most COVID-infected school in HUSD?" The district's dashboard showed a 6.84% infection rate over two weeks. Hemet High was second at 2.12%

1 year ago - 2025

PCWD board members heard about an attempt to help the Silent Valley RV campground after their wells failed. GM Jeremy Potter arranged to sell them 164,000 gallons of water, which was transported by truck. The camp's tanks also failed and the water was lost, forcing the campground to close.

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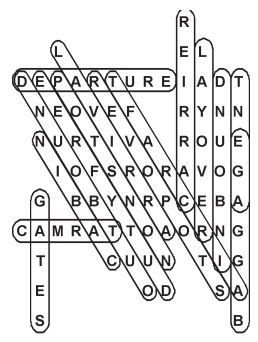
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A brief history of the Idyllwild Junior Garden Club

Contributed by Wendy Read
President, Idyllwild Garden Club

In 2004, the president of the Idyllwild Garden Club (my mother-in-law), asked me to start a gardening program at Idyllwild School. She felt the kids needed to learn about plants and where food comes from. I was a volunteer at the school, so I went to the principal and asked if I could "put back" the kids garden that was removed due to construction of the new 2 story building. I was encouraged to find somewhere else to plant, due to the lack of sun, but I wanted it where it had been before. So, with the support of the school and the financial backing of the Idyllwild Garden Club, my Garden Club volunteers and I got to work.

The site was all gravel, and not much sun. So, in the spring of 2004 the kids from the After School program came and started removing the gravel. Then we got a rotter-tiller and softened the first half of the area. This was mainly native plants, and raised beds. In the fall of 2004, we finished the garden area with a butterfly garden, grape vine and apple trees. This first garden was considered the math garden, since the beds were square, rectangular, round, triangular, a parallelogram, and a "pizza" garden with 6 equilateral triangles (to grow pizza toppings in). Teachers could do math lessons like area, perimeter, diameter, volume, and use the pizza garden for fractions. I also planted one bed with the 3 primary and 3 secondary colors on the color wheel.

Since we don't garden in the winter, I went to the PTA smARTS group and we did art for the garden so it was nice to look at year-round. The 5th graders made pickets for our fences, and the 3rd graders made stepping stones.

We expanded our gardening areas by putting in a second garden, a native garden near the lunch area. It is also a bird watching garden, complete with benches, bird houses, feeders, and a bird bath. The native plants provide berries for the birds as well. I called this the science garden, hoping teachers would use it as a teaching tool to observe the birds. It's amazing to me how many birds come to this area, surrounded by buildings and kids.

So now, after 22 years, the Idyllwild Garden Club is still maintaining these two gardens, with the help of Garden Club volunteers, and the support of the after school program and their kids. We are looking for volunteers to work with the kids once or twice a week for an hour at a time, doing gardening or science stuff. If you would like to be a part of this great program, contact me, Wendy Read, at wread@hemetusd.org. For more information about the Idyllwild Garden Club, go to idyllwildgardenclub.com or look us up on Facebook.